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January 24, 1.

Mrs. William Thaw,
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.
Box 1086.

My dear Mrs. Thaw:

I reached home very comfortably on Tuesday morning, and my cold, from which I was suffering, has about passed away. I am very glad to be able to send you a copy of the unanimous action of the Board of Home Missions, agreeing to transfer the Collegiate Institute; its property, lands, buildings and equipment to the trustees of Sheldon Jackson College.

Permit me to say concerning the first resolution that so far as I know the Trustees of the College have no intention to change the name of the Collegiate Institute. That school has won an enviable reputation for scholarship throughout the inter-mountain region and we all desire to keep the name while making it the Preparatory Department of the College.

In resolution three you will notice that the Board purposes truning over all the property of the College free under the conditions which follow on page two. 1st. That the property shall be secured to the Presbyterian Church forever for the purposes of Christian education, and that no mortgage shall ever be placed thereon. These

These conditions meet the wishes of all the friends of the Institute so far as I know. we hope we are building for all time, and do not wish that any of the property should ever be alienated from the Presbyterian Church.

I understand that this however will not prevent the sale of the Collegiate Institution property, in the future when the school shall be crowded out of its present location; that the requirement is that if so sold the money received for it, shall go into other educational property, probably on the main campus of the College. As the time will come when the present site will not only be too crowded but too expensive to hold for the school, and the money received from it will put up equally good buildings on the campus with a surplus for partial endowment of the same.

Condition second has reference to the time when the trustees will be able to pay the teachers and running expenses of the Preparatory Department. If Dr. Gordon, our former financial agent, had been a more efficient man we would have been able to have done so this coming fall. But it now looks very much as if we should have to leave it in the hands of the Woman's Board for the present.

It is the purpose of the trustees however to assume the support of the Collegiate Institute at the earliest practicable moment. Shortly after the action of the Board, the Trustees had a meeting and officially agreed to the proposition of the Board. The resolution referred to in Dr. Thompson's letter of December 8, 1899, to myself personally, was a suggestion on the part of the Board, to the Trustees that the advertising of lots to be sold or given away for the benefit of the College had created some criticism on the part of those who were expecting to contribute to the College. That feature you remember was got up by Dr. Gordon, the former financial agent, in consultation with some of the Trustees, but General Eaton and myself were not present and were not consulted, and would not have consented if we had been. But with the displacement of Dr. Gordon as financial agent, the real estate scheme dropped.

I regret that Mr. Bailey did not know that the Board proposed to give the property without coast to the Trustees. But under this new light, please indicate in what other form you would like to have your gift go. There are two things which it seems to me for the interest of the Master's Kingdom to accomplish. One is to secure pledges for the salaries of teachers and other expenses of the Preparatory Department so that the Trustees can accept the offer of the Board on September 1, 1901.

If it should meet with your approval to give two thousand a year without interest for five years, I feel confident that under the impetus of your example I can find two or three other ladies that will contribute certain amounts annually, the aggregate of which will support the Preparatory Department for this five years. And the second important thing under the circumstances is to secure a plain building or part of a building for the first house or a part of the main building on the campus. If you should prefer to give the $10,000.00 to that rather than the support of the Preparatory Department, I think that I can find some gentleman that will join you in raising twenty-five or thirty thousand dollars, which with what we have on hand will put up the first building.

It is not the purpose of the Trustees to build larger than present needs, as it will be easier when the College grows to get other buildings to meet the growing need of more room. One reason why we are so solicitous with regard to commencing a building at the present time on the campus is to secure the title to eighty acres , before either of the two gentlemen that have made the offer shall die, as their death might complicate matters , and their heirs might not be of the same disposition as these gentlemen. But whether it is given for the support of the Preparatory Department or for the erection of the College Building or for some other purpose, I hope you will continue the condition concerning which you spoke to me on Monday--- that there should be no debt incurred by the Trustees. I am strongly in favor of that myself. So strongly that my vote would go for dropping a professor, if there was no reasonable expectation of supporting him without borrowing money, and keep our work within our income.

But when you have had time to think it over I hope you will indicate in what way you would prefer to help us, and then I will lay the matter before the Trustees at Salt Lake City. I cannot express to you the great satisfaction I feel in your interest in the College. When for a time it seemed as if you would not include the College among your many other objects of help, I assure you it was a constant source of sorrow to me.

I have found by long experience that our views of Church work are very much in accord. So it was a disappointment and sorrow to think that we were not also in accord with the Christian Educational Work in Utah, which to me seems the key to the situation for the upbuilding of the Master's Kingdom in Utah, and the gradual disintegration of the Mormon Church.

With kind regards to the family, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclosure

January 25, 1901.

Mrs. Darwin R. James,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Mrs. James:

I spent last Monday afternoon with Mrs. Thaw. She read me a copy of ~~your~~ the letter which she had sent to you and to myself. Having been absent in Western Pennsylvania holding Missionary Meetings I had not yet received the letter which was awaiting me in Washington. In offering to purchase the College Institute buildings, Mrs. Thaw was not aware that the two Boards had generously agreed to donate that property to the Trustees of the College for the purposes of Christian Education forever.

I have sent Mrs. Thaw since returning home, a copy of the action of the Board, taken, December 7, 1899, in which they offer to transfer the property to the College, and have asked Mrs. Thaw to indicate her wishes with regard to the use of the money she is willing to set apart for the College.

I hope this is the beginning on her part of interest in Christian Education in Utah that may continue for many years. With kind regards to Mr. James, and any of the family that may be with you, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

January 25, 1.1.

Mr. Gill S. Peyton,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Mr. Peyton:

Some time ago I understood you to offer to store books for the College Library in your cellar which I understood to be perfectly dry. The books now stored in the College Institute are so heavy that it is dangerous to put any more in that institution. If you still find it convenient to receive the College Books at your house please indicate how I shall have the books directed which I will send by mail.

General Eaton and I have been looking for your appearance in Washington.

Hoping that your family are well, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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January 25, 1.

Miss Lucille Flanagan,

Room #503 Witherspoon Bldg.,

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Madam:

I send you the cut for which you ask. Is it too much to ask you to send me a proof of Miss Bennett's article concerning myself before it is published, as I might perhaps like to make a suggestion to you with regard to something she may have said. I will return the proof without delay when received.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

January 25, 1.

Mrs. Thomas Alexander,

Franklin, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Alexander:

I reached home safely on Tuesday morning, and with rest and quiet am nearly over my cold. Will you not find out, if you do not already know, and write me the name of the church and minister that I Understood from you had had so much trouble with the Mormons. I thim thank you said the minister's daughter was married and living in Franklin.

I look back with much pleasure on my visit in your home. Remember me very kindly to your husband mother and daughter.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

Enclosure

January 25, 1.

Mrs. D. F. Diefenderfer,
#415 Chestnut Street,
Erie, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Diefenderfer:

Yours of the 24th is just received. I am glad to hear of the interest which has been created in the Erie Presbytery in behalf of Utah. I think for the purpose of wakening an interest the course you pursued was the best possible---the more important places on the Sabbath and the small villages on week-day nights. I think more money could have been realized for the present by concentrating the work in Erie, Franklin, Titusville, but probably in the long run the course pursued will yield the largest returns.

If I could have had Sunday afternoon at Titusville instead of going to Oil City, I am not sure but that plans could have been made to bring in twenty-five or thirty thousand dollaws. It is possibly with regard to this that Mrs. John Emerson is going to see you. She and her father-in-law, Mr. E. O. Emerson, were very much stirred up on the subject, and it seemed to be Mrs. Emerson's impression that several of their wealthy men could have been reached for large amounts

The meetings during the week were held under great difficulties. Tuesday evening at Greenvillage, I could scarcely speak above a whisper. Wednesday evening at Mercer my voice was a little better, the same was true at Utica on Thursday evening, but as I wished to be in the best possible trim for Sabbath, I cancelled Meadville for Friday night.

Titusville, however, was so anxious to hear something on Alaska, that I spoke for an hour on Saturday evening, after which they had a reception and refreshments. Monday I felt very badly but on my way home stopped a few hours in Pittsburg with Mrs. William Thaw who is planning to help somewhat in Utah, but at present does not care to have it known. Since returning home and refraining from all public speaking, and remaining indoors evenings, I am almost free from my cold, and my throat is very much better.

My traveling expenses for the trip were $36.34, against which I received, at Utica $11.07, and at Oil City sixty-five cents; which leaves $24.62 due. When convenient you may send me a check for that amount. I enclose you a new leaflet which has just been issued by the women. It is a revised edition of a former leaflet. When you receive an account of the amounts collected, kindly let me know.

Trusting that the invalids at your home are improving and with kind regards to them and to your husband, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclosure

January 25, 1.

Rev. George G. Smith,
East Liberty, Pittsburg, Pa.

My dear Brother:

I want to thankyou for the help and encouragement you have been to Rev. George Bailey in his canvass for the Presbyterian College at Salt Lake. He writes me that you have been of more assistance to him than any other person. The Lord reward and comfort you for your work.

With kind regards to Mrs. ~~[illegible]~~ Smith, I remain as ever,

Your friend,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclosure

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Due [illegible]		68.00
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Personal supplies		[illegible]
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Nils Persen Bals.		
Salary [illegible] 1900	[illegible]	
Personal supplies		63.[illegible]
To be [illegible] deposited [illegible]		129.35
Per Larsen Hatta		
Salary to [illegible] 1900	156.54	
Personal supplies		6.[illegible]
To be paid [illegible]		149.[illegible]
I. M. A. B[illegible]		
Salary to [illegible] 1. 1900	15[illegible].34	
Personal supplies		71.[illegible]
To be paid by S. J. depos[illegible]		7[illegible]
Per [illegible]		
Salary to Jan 31. 1900	[illegible]	
Personal supplies		77.[illegible]
To be paid by S.J.		7[illegible]
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Personal supplies		1[illegible]
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Sofi Anderson		
Salary Jan 31. 1900	[illegible]	[illegible]
To be paid by S.J.		
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Nils Persen Sara To be paid by S J		53.07

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Nils Persen Sara

To be paid by O.J.	53.07	

January 1901 I

Deposited by Sheldon Jackson in den Nordenfjeldske Kreditbank. Trondhjem Norway

Nils P. Balto Salary 1899	130	40
" 1900	124	35
Franklin Trust Co.	271.	97
	526	72
Per Larsen Anti Salary 1898	156	34
1899	103	41
1900	149	45
	409	20
Mrs Inga Bals Bongo	350	00
A. A. Bahr Salary 1898	240	00
" 1899	111	66
" 1900	44	67
Franklin Trust Co	135	99
Cash	143	67
	675	99
Ole J. Pulk	147	92
Klemet P. Boini Salary 1899	111	66
" 1900	44	67
(77.45. 92.43. 25. 50. 240. = 484.88) Cash	484	88
	641.	21
Per M Spein	208	40
Franklin Trust Co	199	08
	407	48
Per N. Siri Salary 1899	111	66
" 1900	44	67
	156	33
O. O. Bar	266	66
Franklin Trust Co	152	30
	418	96

Per Johannessen Hatta	56	33
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In Mount Horeb Bank
Mt Horeb Wisconsin

Isaac A. Bango Salary 1899	86	36
" 1900	78.	41
	164.	77

To be deposited in Puget Sound or Trondhjem

Johan I Tornensis	187	60
Salary 1900	311	10
Franklin Trust Co	516	75
	1015.	45

Other Salaries to be paid ~~or elsewhere~~

Nils P. Sara	53	07
Per Anderson	78	63
A. J. Balto	54	49
Sofie Anderson	31	27
Nils Klemetsen	139	33
Lars Larsen Anti (deceased)	130	43
Hans A. Siri (deceased)	156	33

1899-1900.

Salaries to be returned to Sheldon Jackson, having been advanced by him to the various parties at their request.

A. A. Gaup	75	59
Isak M. Tornensis	131	27
Alfred Hermansen	210	70
Lars L. Haatta	126	23
Aslak Bals	55	45
Johan Nango	80	11
John E. Eira	69	19
Marit Eira - - - -	31.	27
Anders K. Bete	142	40
Marit Bete	31	27
Per Porsanger	123	01
Anders Utzi	114	93
Johan Rista	56	57
Per J. Hatta	{ 44 111	67 66
Johan I. Tornensis	134	00
Ole J. Pulk	79	47
Marit Eira	22	33
Isak M. Tornensis	108	41

Collected for Dr Gamble

1899			
Nov 1.	From Per M. Spein	5	00
1900 Jan 23	" " " "	50	00
	" Anders J Balt.	10	00

January 26, [illegible]1.

Rev. R. G. Mc Neice,
#1246 Blaine Ave.,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Doctor:

At the request of General Eaton I enclose you a copy of a letter received from Mrs. Diefenderfer, President of the Woman's Presbyterial Society, Erie Presbtery. It shows that the heart of the Church is with us, if we only had some suitable canvassers. If you have found your College Catalogs, which seem to have been misplaced when I was in Salt Lake City, kindly mail me a package.

Mrs. Thaw made her promise of $10,000.°° to the Board thinking that the College had to buy the Collegiate Institute property. I have sent her a copy of the action of the Board donating the property and asking her for an offer of the same amount in another direction. If I hear from her favorably I will send you her directions for the consideration of the Trustees. The former direction that the College should be transferred to the Synod I think might be a good plan, it would at least enlarge the constituency of local interest.

General Eaton would not object that the first ~~addition~~ building should be called Main Building, if it would secure a good donation. I think Mrs. Thaw will dithdraw her objection to the erection of a building on the campus, she was not aware that a title to the ground was dependent on the building.

Hoping the time may speedily come when the many prayers offered for a College building will be answered, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in
Alaska.

C. O. P. Y.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

Now that the engagements in Erie Presbytery are over and you have returned to your accustomed place and work I have had time to think it all over and should have written you when in Titusville but my sister came the day you left my home (Tuesday 15th). She was immediately attacked with a severe case of "grippe" requiring daily visits from our physician---so my time has been as much occupied as my own limited strength would permit, for I still have a sufficient supply of the wretched disease to make me feel unequal to much that is even depending on me.

I have been deeply concerned about you for you seemed so ill the day you left. Will you tell me exactly what you feel about the trip---was it all satisfactory to you? As I look back I see how it might have been much more successfully carried out. My impression was from Dr. Eaton's messages to me that the canvass would not be made until after the Itinerary was closed---but it may be just as it is---for in all the churches there seems to be a very earnest deep interest stirred and no doubt the College will reap great good in the future from this effort though not what it now needs. I shall make an effort to secure help financially from some of those here who did not respond and also elsewhere in the Presbytery. I shall do something myself. I did not speak of this to you---whenever it came to my mind other subjects were being discussed but mine will be an annual gift it will not be what I would love to give for I would establish the work of that College in the midst of that sin stained part of our delightsome land if I could, but I always remember that there are two ways of counting money. We reckon by dollars and cents---God weighs in the balance and in his hand many hundreds shrivel and shrink while dimes and dollars become glorified.

The work of a Christian College in Utah shall have myhearty support---not that I will be dis-loyal to any work assumed or laid upon me elsewhere but "This ought ye to have done and not to have left the other undone" shall be my argument to my helpers. Erie clergymen (Dr. Vanclive, Mr. Jones and Ross) have all called and expressed their interest and suppomt. I have not heard from all churshes yet but it comes every day. . I am hoping for great things from Titusville. Miss Emerson expects to come to Erie soon to talk up a "gigantic scheme" she has thought out, they are good people. Mr. Hodge has returned to Erie but has manifested no special interest except to send to me the sum of five dollars??? his gift to the College---it should have been $500.°° instead as I see and know of his interest in the work of Foreign Missions.

Kindly let me know about your expense and any directions that you may desire to give me about the gifts or the causse I shall follow with approval and interest as well as influence and spirit.

Now to you a personal word of thanks and appreciation for your kindness---your willingness to carry out every plan I had made while "I had charge of you" (as Mr. Spencer put it). Your coming was a help and inspiration to me and a blessing in my home though Mr. D. constantly regrets his necessary absence from home while you were here.

With beay wishes for your health and comfort and success in this work,

I am, very sincerely,

Jan. 24, 1901.
(signed) Frances J. Diefenderfer.
(Mrs. D. F.)
Erie, Pa.

The U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Co. - Baltimore, Md.
Chas. N. Vance, Special Agent, 913 F St.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Bureau of Education,
Wash. D.C.

Jan 30

r. Henry C. Strong, of Ketchikan, Alaska
Mail

Contract [illegible]

[illegible]

Until meeting Mr Strong a few weeks ago
I did not know him. Upon his asking for
advice and introductions, I wrote to Mr Charles
Black of Seattle, whom I have known for years
and in whom I have the utmost confidence
and Mr Black telegraphed me "I fully
endorse Strong my partner (in the) Steamship
Ketchikan" and writes "He (Strong) has always
proved himself trustworthy, honest, and has never
as yet made a failure of anything he has taken
hold of" I endorse him on the strength of
Mr Black's testimony.

Sheldon Jackson
U.S. Genl. Agt. of Education
in Alaska

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January 30, 1.

Mrs. William Thaw,
P. O. Box #1086,
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Thaw:

Yours of January 26th is received and contents noted. I had hoped that you would have allowed the trustees of the College to have the money on the same conditions that you offered the Board of Home Missions, but as this does not seem to meet with your approval, I simply await to see what action may be taken by the Board of Home Missions.

With kind remembrances to your househols, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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January 30, 1.

Miss Lucille Flanigen,
#503 Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Friend:

Yours of January 26th is received. If you have not sent the proof to Washington before you receive this, please address it to me, Presbyterian Hospital, #39th and Powelton Ave., West Philadelphia, where I will be on Thursday and Friday.

After that time my address will again be Washington, D. C.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

January 30, 1.

Mrs. J. C. Kingsland,
#76West Walnut Street,
Titusville, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Kingsland:

I met Mr. D. K. Pearson some three or four years ago on the subject of assisting our college at Salt Lake. At that time, the Congregationalists were also attempting to start, and he said he would do nothing for either college unless they united. Afterwards I saw it reported in the press that he had made an offer to the Congregational College at Salt Lake, conditioned upon their raising a certain additional amount. They sent their President east to try to fulfill the conditions, but failed in raising the money. This so discouraged them that they have given up attempting to start a college and the field is left to the Presbyterians.

I do not know why, but it has seemed to me that Mr. Pearson has not grasped the importance of Sheldon Jackson College, or he would have done something for it. It would not be advisable for myself to make an effort, but an effort on your part might accomplish something, at least it will leave us no worse off than we are now. I mail you the report this afternoon.

Mr. Frank Hoffstott is a new name, and we have never applied to him. I hope you will write him and send the college circular. The College gets nothing from Mrs. Thaw as yet. Her gift which was mentioned in the papers, is to the Board of Home Missions, and not to the College.

We have about Eight Thousand Dollars in hand of the Thirty-five thousand that we need for the erection of the first building. The donation made by myself of which you speak is in unimproved land in the City of Washington, D. C. The real estate market here is so depressed that if we were to sell at the present time, it would be at a great sacrifice. Consequently we are holding it for better times, and better prices. This is the reason we cannot sell it at the present time.

Thanking you for your interesting letter, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 5, 1.

Mr. J. W. Harriman,
Merchant's National Bank,
New York City, New York.

My dear Sir:

I herewith enclose to you my book for balancing to February first and also a check for $223.32, which you will please place to my credit.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

DESTITUTION AMONG ESKIMOS,

from Official Report of Dr. Sheldon Jackson.

"This was the beginning of our experience with the epidemic which, it was afterwards learned, extended the whole length of the Aleutian Islands, also along both the American and Asiatic shore to Cape Prince of Wales and into the Arctic, along the Siberian coast beyond Cape Serdze-Kamen, and up the American side to Point Hope.

The disease in some cases commenced with measles, and was followed with la grippe, which was followed in turn by pneumonia, and in other cases commenced with la grippe and was followed by the measles or pneumonia. The death rate was mainly confined to the aboriginal population, they being ignorant or unwilling to take proper care of themselves, and in some cases where the physician was in attendance they could not be made to follow his directions. The result was that hundreds died.

In the village at Indian Point, Siberia, it is estimated that 1/2 of the entire population died. This is also true of the Eskimox in the neighborhood of Teller Reindeer Station on the American side. Out of the population of three hundred on St. Lawrence Island thirty-six died within a month. Forty per cent of the natives at Nulato and Koserefsky, Yukon River, died during August. Parties of miners and prospectors traveling through the region would come upon deserted native huts or tents containing unburied dead bodies. In some cases they found in these places young and helpless children whose parents had died leaving them entirely without support.

In one case a young baby was found alive in a hut trying to draw nourishment from the breast of its dead mother. At Port Clarence a dying native summoning up his remaining strength seized his gun and shot dead the Indian doctor who was himself sick and would probably have died in a day or two, if he had not been shot. Distressed natives in the neighborhood of Nome were gathered into a camp outside of the Military Post where they could be attended by the military surgeon. At Teller Reindeer Station and at the several mission stations in that region children whose parents had died, were gathered into an orphanage established by the missionaries.

This epidemic proved so fatal as to cause a panic, and whenever a person died the friends fled from the house, leaving the remains unburied, or if in the neighborhood of a station to be cared for by the missionary. This epidemic occurred during the usual fishing x season, when the natives are accustomed to dry their winter supply of fish, consequently very few fish were caught and the opening winter has found them without a supply of food. As far as possible to prevent the coming starvation, General Randall, U.S.A., wrote the Secretary of War, Captain Tuttle, R.C.S., the Secretary of the Treasury, Governor John Brady, the Secretary of the Interior, presenting the destitution among the natives and uniting in the request that Lieutenant D. H. Jarvis, R.C.S., should be detailed and authorized to supply provisions, and use the Revenue Cutter Bear to distribute them at central points as far as the Bear could reach them during the remaining portion of the season. Consequently small supplies of food have been left with the missionaries, government teachers, and Government Officials at such central points as they reside. These missionaries, teachers, and officials will act as local distributors under the direction of Lieutenant Jarvis. But notwithstanding the provision for winter, grave fears are entertained that there will be many natives so distant from these relief stations that they cannot be helped, and that there will be much suffering and death in consequence."

Feb 6 1

Northwestern Investment Co
Endicott Building
Saint Paul. Minn

Dear Sirs

Mr Cochran's letter of Jan 28th was awaiting my return to the City

I note the sale of the Clarkin property at $1350. net. I have not found any abstract of title, but send you the Sheriff's Certificate of Sale. Which I suppose is a good abstract of title up to the date when issued.

Kindly make out + forward deed for signing – When money is received send me a Check for the Cash amount. ($700.00)

Very truly yours.

Sheldon Jackson

Note: "Net" covers, commission, back taxes, sprinkling, drawing deeds, mortgage + every other expense connected with the property. ie. I am to receive $1350. in ~~notes~~ Cash + Notes secured by Mortgage.

S.J.

February 7, 1.

Mr. John C. Eversman,
Clerk of Revision of Law Committee,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It affords me pleasure to send you a copy of my book on Alaska. The first chapter of which you will find contains a resume of the resources of Alaska. I also send you the latest School Reports. The latest report on the Introduction of Reindeer you can find in the document romm of the House. It is profusely illustrated and I think you will enjoy having a copy.

Hoping that this material may assist you somewhat in getting up your paper.

I remain,
Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

REINDEER IN ALASKA NOT A FAILURE.

To the PRESBYTERIAN. By Sheldon Jackson D.D.

During the past winter, as during previous years, items have appeared in the public press making the broad statement that reindeer in Alaska were a failure; that there is no suitable pasturage, and that the larger portion of the animals imported from Siberia were dead.

At your request it affords me pleasure to be able to state that all such reports are ~~mistakes of fact~~ misstatements. During the past eight years the government has had agents investigating the moss pasturage of Alaska, and have found permanent pasturage for nine million head of reindeer. The climate of Alaska is similar to that of Arctic Asia and Europe, where reindeer have thrived for centuries, and, as an actual fact, experience shows that the reindeer born and raised in Alaska are larger and heavier animals than their parents, raised in Siberia, showing that there is no want of food, and nothing in the climate detrimental to raising reindeer. Instead of being a failure ~~And as a matter of fact~~ the reindeer enterprise has proved a very great success in Alaska.

It should be remembered that the government has been engaged in two reindeer enterprises in Alaska: One commenced in 1892 for the purpose of introducing and breeding reindeer into Alaska; the second, in 1898, as a temporary measure for the purpose of conveying food to the miners in the Klondike and Yukon Valleys, who at the time were supposed to be in danger of starvation.

For the latter purpose in

Feb 8 1901

Mr E. F. Niemeyer
Room 60 Wash Loan + Trust Bldg

Dear Sir

I have consulted my real Estate Agent with reference to lots 6 + 7 Blk 4 Emporia St. South Brookland and I will sell the larger lot at 15 cts + the smaller one at 13 cts per sq foot.

The price of lots are rapidly advancing in that section of the city.

Very truly yours
Sheldon Jackson

Feb 8th 1

Miss Grace Lee Parker
879 Main St-
Buffalo N.Y.

Madam

I wrote you in Oct & again the 15th of Dec 1900 Calling your attention to the fack that ~~ha~~ no interest has been paid for over a year on your note. & have received no reply.

I now Write to say that if no interest is received before Feb 15th I shall proceed to have your lots sold for the indebtedness thereon. I have given you repeated accomodations, but can not Continue to do so -

Very Truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson
Concord Flats
Washington
D.C.

February 8, 1.

Rev. William H. Roberts, D.D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Doctor Roberts:

I enclose you the brief statement that you wished for your Twentieth Century Fund, College Circular. I tried to be brief. If you want to shorten it still more, wherever numbers occur anumeral will take less space. I hope to meet you in Washington, next week.

If you can make it stronger, do so and oblige,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Sheldon Jackson College. Salt Lake City. Utah. Incorporated. Trustees elected by Presbytery of Utah. Gives College completeness to a Christian System of Education embracing in the Presbyterian body four Academies and over twenty mission schools in Utah. Bibical instruction guaranteed.

Opened September, 1897. Eighty acres for campus offered conditioned on the erection of the first building. Thirty-five Thousand Dollars needed. Appeals both to patriotism and Missionary zeal. Address Hon. John Eaton, LL.D., Washington, D. C. for information

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Washington D.C.
Feb 8. 1901

Rev. C. L. Thompson, D.D.,
#156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, New York.

My dear Doctor Thompson:

I enclose you various letters relating to a proposal of Mrs. William Thaw, with regard to the Collegiate Institute, and leave the matter for yourselves and your associates in the two boards to wrestle with. If you can devise any way by which you can meet Mrs. Thaw's terms, the Woman's Board can secure $2,000.°° a year for five years. When I first received her communication, thinking she had been misinformed, I sent her a copy of the agreement which the Board of Home Missions made, together with the trustees of the College. Then suggested that as she had been laboring under a misapprehension of securing the property of the Collegiate Institute, that she offer to give the same amount to the Trustees of the College, which , as you will notice by her reply to my letter, did not meet with her approval.

After you, in New York, confer together, if you think I can be of any assistance in helping solve the problem how to get that money, I will try to come over to New York and meet you, although I am very busy at present and cannot be spared from Washington, at least until Congress adjourns.

Hoping that you had a good metting in Philadelphia, where I notice you were a recent speaker, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

C. O. P. Y.

Dictated by
Mrs. William Thaw,
P. O. Box #1086.

Pittsburg, Pa., January 12th, 1901.

I shall agree to purchase from the Board of Home Missions, the buildings known as the Salt Lake Collegiate Institute, for the sum of Ten Thousand, ($10,000) Dollars; the same to be offered by me free of rent, for the use of the Sheldon Jackson Collegiate Institute of Salt Lake City, for five years, subject to the conditions hereinafter named.

I should wish the payments on this to extend over a period of five years, beginning March 1901, at which time $2,000 would be paid to the Board of Home Missions for the current use, of the Home Board and the Woman's Board jointly. One year later a second payment of $2,000, together with the accrued interest at 5% on $8,000, and thus until the whole amount is paid over, and to be used as designated above

The main reason for having the payments distributed over that number of years is, that an equal annual amount of increased revenue shall in this way be received for a longer period for regular mission work, (and not Anti-Mormon Crusades,) in Utah.

Whether the title deed to the property shall be retained by the Board of Home Missions, or transferred by them to Sheldon Jackson Collegiate Institute in trust for five years, (at the end of which time it shall be theirs absolutely?) is a matter that can be decided between the two Boards. What I wish to guard against is, the too precipitate disposal of the property by the newly constituted board of the Sheldon Jackson College. The conditions upon which my offer is made, are:

First: The Trustees of the Sheldon Jackson Collegiate

Institute shall pay all the running expenses connected with the property, including taxes, insurance, and, whatever repairs are necessary for its proper preservation.

Second: That the first new building to be erected by them, shall be known as the "Sheldon Jackson College", (Main Building,). As to any halls dormitories etc., to be erected, let those whose names are to be commemorated bear the cost.

Third: That the college shall be under Synodical and not Presbyterial oversight.

If it were proper for me to do so, Ishould like to advise that no building be contracted for under two years from this date. By that time the financial conditions of this country will probably be such as to give better results for the same cost as now. Economy in administration, so long as it does not cripple an undertaking,is surer to commend itself, than the opposite course.

All this is respectfully submitted by one whose observation has been wide, and whose experience with financially crippled institutions, with showy buildings, has been exceedingly burdensome.

Signed: Mary L. Shaw.

Pittsburg, Pa., January 14th, 1901.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

You will remember that I was rather skeptical as to the wisdom of starting a new college in Salt Lake City, especially with the Present Academy. When I found it was a settled thing, I then tried to induce the women in charge of the Salt Lake City Institute to transfer it to you, and you to accept it as the nucleus of the new project. Both saw insuperable difficulties in the way, which, nevertheless, were not made clear to my mind. The new catalog shows they have been overcome, although I gather from the agent sent here by the College, that nothing has been settled as to the price. This being so, I beg to submit to you first the following proposition. Should you think favorable of it, send one copy to the Board in New York, and one to your Trustees in Salt Lake City. My sole aim is to do the best I can both for the Home Mission work and for Sheldon Jackson College.

I do not like the style of building shown in the catalog; still less do I like the name given it on paper. You must cut loose from that, and let the charter name of the College be substituted, if the work is to prosper and make friends.

Pardon hurried note. Half a score of equally imperative affairs have come in with the century, and whether I am right or not, I feel called upon to try to prevent, in one way or another, mistakes being made, by men who are more ambitious for the present than future good.

Yours sincerely,

Dictated by

Mrs. Wm. Thaw. (signed) M. C. Thaw.

P. S. Concluded to mail copy of offer to Mrs. James.

C. O. P. Y.

January 24, 1901.

Mrs. William Thaw,
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.
Box. 1086.

My dear Mrs. Thaw:

I reached home very comfortably on Tuesday morning, and my cold, from which I was suffering, has about passed away. I am very glad to be able to send you a copy of the unanimous action of the Board of Home Missions, agreeing to transfer the Collegiate Institute; its property, lands, buildings, and equipment to the trustees of Sheldon Jackson College.

Permit me to say concerning the first resolution that so far as I know the Trustees of the College have no intention to change the name of the Collegiate Institute. The school has won an enviable reputation for scholarship throughout the inter-mountain region and we all desire to keep the name while making it the Preparatory Department of the College.

In resolution three you will notice that the Board purposes turning over all the property of the College free under the conditions which follow on page two. 1st. That the property shall be secured to the Presbyterian Church forever for the purposes of Christian education, and that no mortgage shall ever be placed thereon. These conditions meet the wishes of all the friends of the Institute so far as I know. We hope we are building for all time, and do not wish tha any of the property should ever be alienated from the Presbyterian Church.

I understand that this however will not prevent the sale of the Collegiate Institute property, in the future when the school shall be crowded out of its present location; that the requirement is that if so sold the money received for it, shall go into other educational property, probably on the main campus of the College. As the time will come when the present site will not only be too crowded but too expensive to hold for the school, and the money received from it will put up equally good buildings on the campus with a surplus for partial endowment of the same.

Condition second has reference to the time when the trustees will be able to pay the teachers and running expenses of the Preparatory Department? If Dr. Gordon, our former financial agent, had been a more efficient man we would have been able to have done so this coming fall. But it now looks very much as if we should have to leave it in the hands of the Women's Board for the present.

It is the purpose of the trustees however to assume the support of the Collegiate Institute at the earliest practicable moment. Shortly after the action of the Board, the Trustees had a meeting and officially agreed to the proposition of the Board. The resolution referred to in Dr. Thompson's letter of December 8, 1899, to myself personally, was a suggestion on the part of the Board, to the Trustees that the advertising of lots to be sold or given away for the benefit of the College had created some criticism on the part of those who were expected to contribute to the College. That feature you remember was got up by Dr. Gordon, the former financial agent, in consultation with some of the Trustees, but General Eaton and myself were not present and were not consulted, and would not have consulted if we had been. But with the displacement of Dr. Gordon as financial agent, the real estate scheme dropped.

I regret that Mr. Bailey did not know that the Board proposed to give the property without coast to the Trustees. But under this please indicate in what other form you would like to have your gift go There are two things which it seems to me for the interest of the Master's Kingdom to accomplish. One is to secure pledges for the salaries of teachers and other expenses of the Preparatory Department so that the Trustees can accept the offer of the Board on September 1, 1901.

If it should meet with your approval to give two thousand a year without interest for five years, I feel confident that under the impetus of your example I can find two or three other ladies that will contribute certain amounts annually, the aggregate of which will support the Preparatory Department for this five years. And the second important things under the circumstances is to secure a plain building or part of a building for the first house or a part of the mainbuilding on the campus. If you should prefer to give the $10,000.00 to that rather than the support of the Preparatory Department, I think that I can find some gentleman that will join you in raising twenty-five of thirty thousand dollars, which with what we have on hand will put up the first building.

It is not the purpose of the Trustees to build larger than present needs, as it will be easier when the College grows to get other buildings to meet the growing need for more room. One reason why we are so solicitous with regard to commencing a building at the present time on the campus is to secure the title to eighty acres, before either of the two gentlemen that have made the offer shall die, as their death might complicate matters, and their heirs might not be of the same disposition as these gentlemen. But whether it is given for the support of the Preparatory Department or for the erection of the College Building or for some other purpose, I hope you will continue the condition concerning which you spoke to me on Monday---that there should be no debt incurred by the Trustees. I am strongly in favor of that myself. So strongly that my vote would go for dropping a professor, if there was no reasonable expectation of supporting him without borrowing money, and keep our work within our income.

But when you have had time to think it over I hope you will indicate in what way you would prefer to help us, and then I will lay the matter before the Trustees at Salt Lake City. I cannot express to you the great satisfaction I feel in your interest in the College. When for a time it seemed as if you would not include the College among your many other objects of help, I assure it was a constant source of sorrow to me.

I have found by long experience that our views of Church work are very much in accord. So it was a disappointment and sorrow to think that we were not also in accord with the Christian Educational Work in Utah, which to me seems the key to the situation for the upbuilding of the Master's Kingdom in Utah, and the gradual disintegration of the Mormon Church.

With Kind regards to the family, I remain,

Yours truly,

Enclosure.

(signed) Sheldon Jackson
General Agent of Education in Alaska.

Pittsburgh, Pa., January 26, 1901.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

As I shall be more than ordinarily occupied next week, I write immediately on receipt of yours, inclosing Dr. Thompson's letter to you, and copy of the resolutions outlining plan by which the Board hopes to have carried on, the work of the Salt Lake City Collegiate Institute. You inquire what I shall now offer to do in view of this proposal, now awaiting the decision of the Board of Trustees of Sheldon Jackson College.

With all deference, and disclaiming any thought of being captious in the matter, I can only answer, nothing. My offer was made as much in the hope of freeing the Home Board of a burden it need never have assumed, as it was to help the College. It is before the Home Board; or at least I assume it is, as a copy was sent to Mrs. Darwin James about a week ago; and at the same time one of the representatives of your College, Rev. Mr. Bailey, now in the east.

Truly, I cannot see what possible benefit it would be to your College to have that property transferred on terms such as are specified. It would simply add one more piece of real estate to be held, so far as I can see, in trust by you in perpetuity. It would have to be supported absolutely by your own body, without yielding one cent of revenue. I can make no further offer at present, and shall await with some interest the disposal of the one I have made. It is rather amusing, but at the same time refreshing, to note the abhorrence of any possible mortgage being put upon the building proposed to be transferred ,expressed in the letter of the Senior Secretary of a Board which is carrying over a million dollar mortgage on a building it, too, had no call to erect.

I send this off at once, in order that there may be no misapprehension as to my attitude toward, and understanding of, this question. With regards to all yours, I remain,

Very sincerely,

(signed) M. C. Thaw.

Dictated by

Mrs. Wm. Thaw.

C. O. P. Y.

My dear Mrs. Thaw:

You will see by the agreement that before we pass over to the Trustees of Sheldon Jackson College the "salt Lake Collegiate Institute" we must be assured that they have the means to carry it on, else it will revert to us with an incubus of debt, as it did once before. The need of a higher institution of learning in that part of our country is great, and must be under Christian influences, and the Collegiate Institute with its fine corps of Christian teachers, and Bible teaching is a good fountation upon which to found a College that shall glorify God.

Yours sincerely,

(signed) Mary E. James.

Jan. 29th. (Mrs. D. R.)

Pittsburg, Pa., January 31st, 1901.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

I enclose a communication just received from Mrs. James. It makes no reference whatever to my offer. I cannot tell whether mine has been brought to the attention of the Home Board or not. I leave it to you to decide whether to send one of the Secretaries all that you have from me on the subject, including this note, and Mrs. James' letter. It is not that I am anxious to dispose of $10,000.°° for Home Mission and Educational work, but yet, as a means of extricating both the Board and your College from what appears to me to be a rather mixed situation, I am willing to allow my offer to stand as made, for a month longer.

In your letter the other day you referred to my having made it one condition, that "all salaries should be paid", etc. If you will look at the paper containing my offer, you will find nothing relating to salaries. What I said to you was that one excellent feature of the work of the Board of Aid for Colleges is that it conditions its aid upon the salaries and current expenses being met first.

The terms of my offer are so simple and easy to comprehend, that they cannot, by any possible interpretation, complicate either of the two Boards they aim to assist. The next to the final paragraph, in this series of resolutions by the Women's Committee and the Home Board, is hardly needed. It is incomprehensible that a College should make appeals to the Women's Missionary Societies for funds.

Yours sincerely

Dictated by (signed) M. E. Von.

M. C. Thaw

Mrs. Wm. Thaw.

C. O. P. Y.

Pittsburg, Pa., February 1st, 1901.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

Your note came in the afternoon after mine had been mailed. Surely, you have forgotten the terms of my offer, or you would not have said that you "had hoped that you (I) would have allowed the Trustees of the College to have the money on the same conditions that you (I) offered the Board of Home Missions".

Lest you may have lost the copy of my offer, I enclose another, which on looking over again you will see is a joint offer to the Board of Home Missions and the Trustees of Sheldon Jackson College made for the purpose of relieving the one of an unnecessary burden, and at the same time aiming to benefit the new College; and, in addition to this, setting free for the use of the Board of Home Missions and its department of Women's work $2,000, annually for missionary work in Utah.

I do not propose to make any change in my offer. Whether it will be accepted by the two organizations, it does not rest with me to decide.

Very sincerely yours,
(signed) M. C. Thaw.

Dictated by
Mrs. Wm. Thaw.

C. O. P. Y.

#226 Gates Avenue,
Brooklyn, New York,
February 1, 1901.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I shall consider you a magician, if you get much help from Mrs. Thaw. I have given her up altogether, [illegible] It may be that the Heavenly Father will so incline her mind that she will be willing to give you a small sum, closely bound by limitations.

I think with the endorsement of three well known business men of the financial basis of the present property of the College, men who know the needs of that region, will be willing to aid in the work of the College in buildings or endowment, but that should come first. I wonder if General Eaton ever received the octopus map I had prepared and sent him some time ago; I have never heard from him about it, and fear it has gone astray. The agitation the new organization "The Interdenominational Council"etc., will keep up regarding Mormonism ought to help you and must be in time; but our work for the amendment is up-hill work, and we are always in need of money. But "God reigns" as dear Dr. Kendall used to say, and the time is surely coming when every knee shall bow to Christ, and we can only do the work he assigns us patiently and hopefully without anxiety toward helping on that day.

May you ~~May you~~ see the desire of your heart within a few years, and the crowning glory of all your work of long years for Home Missions.

Yours faithfully,
(signed) M. E. James,

Kind regards of Mr. James.

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February 11, 1.

Dr. D. B. St. John Roosa,
#20 East Thirtieth St.,
New York City, New York.

My dear Doctor:

Your letter came while I was out of the city, and now the Appropriation Committee of the House of Representatives have left off from the Annual Appropriation Bill, any money for the support of the public school system of Alaska. If this should continue it would cause the shutting up of all the public schools in Alaska but three.

I am in hopes however by persistent lobbying I can secure funds for their continuance. This however will detain me closely in Washington until the close of Congress on March 4th. My wife and daughters are very much opposed to my going over to New York to the hospital, pleading for Johns Hopkins, which is nearer by, or Philadelphia, where they have near friends with whom they can stop.

Thanking you very much for your interest and kindness in the matter, I remain,

truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 11, 1.

Dr. Henry R. Wharton, M. D.,
#1725 Spruce Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Upon returning to Washington from Philadelphia, I found that the House of Representatives' Appropriation Committee had struck out from the Appropriation Bill, all moneys for education in Alaska. If this was to be allowed to stand it would of course close every public school, with but three exceptions, in that Territory.

I will now have to go to work and lobby for the continued existence of our Alaska Public Schools, which will probably keep me in Washington until the close of the Session, on the fourth of March. After I get through, I will try to report to the hospital again.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Feb 11th 1901

Mr H. B. Huntley
Seattle Wash

Dear Sir
Yours of Feb 4th with Check for $111.80 from Sale of Cedar St Improvement Warrants Nos 1326 + 1327 is received with thanks.

Whether to continue to sell at face ~~f~~ value without interest I leave to your judgement. They cost me more than face value, as I paid accrued interest when I purchased. If they should come into demand + you can get more than face value, why do so. If not then let them go at face value.

Please remit proceeds as they come in.

Very truly yours
Sheldon Jackson

February 11th,

Andrew Carnegie, Esq.,

My dear Sir:

In your generous distribution of libraries we hope you will not overlook Sheldon Jackson College. It is incorporated under the laws of Utah and is in most hearty harmony with the American spirit. It has an ample campus adjoining the city of Salt Lake. It proposes to supply reading for both its students and the people of the city and by a system of exchange, after the plan of the State Library in New York it hopes to supply students and people in three other leading towns located North and South in the center of Utah. In this inter mountain region there is destined to be an enormous population and those now there are in great need.

Very sincerely,

Yours etc.,

President.

February 12, 1.

To the Editor of
Woman's Home Missions,
Methodist House, 150, Fifth Ave.,
New York City, New York.

My dear Madam:

Kindly insert the enclosed notice in your March number. Mrs. McDowell is a member of the Alaska Committee of the M. E. Woman's Home Missionary Society, and through her I am trying to find a good Methodist teacher with a strong Missionary spirit, for Unalaska.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Do not use my name

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All applicants [redacted] should be [redacted] members of the Methodist Church, and have their missionary spirit endorsed by their pastor.

February 12, 1.

To the Editor

Northwestern Christian Advocate,

Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

If it meets with your approval, kindly publish the enclosed notice. I am sending this out in the interest of the Methodist Woman's Home Missionary Society, and do not care to have my own name appear in the matter.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

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February 13, 1.

Rev. James W. Kirk,
Eagle City, Alaska.

Dear Brother Kirk:

Yours of December 3rd has been awaiting some time a reply. Since receiving it I have had a conference with Dr. Young, and we both think that if you wish the presence of Dr. Marsh, and possibly myself, the best place to meet will be at St. Michael. If Dr. Marsh is to return to his mission by way of the Yukon River, he would very probably miss his steamer connections at Nome, which would simply mean that he would be away from his station another year. But he can meet with you at St. Michael.

Dr. Marsh has been at my house and I have had two or three letters from him on the subject. He would like very much to see the Yukon Valley, which a meeting of the Presbytery at Eagle City would enable him to do, but as it might also keep him away from his mission a year, it does not seem wise.

In January I made a Missionary address at Fairview, Pa., where I found you and your father's family very kindly remembered,

Very truly yours,
Sheldon Jackson
General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Kind regards to your assistant preacher & pastor

February 13, 1.

Rev. H. Richmond Marsh, M. D.,
Joliet, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Yours of February 7th, is received, and I hope very much we may find the right kind of a medical missionary whom God will bless at St. Lawrence Island. It is an exceedingly important station. I have just had a conference with Dr. Young concerning the meeting of the Presbytery at Eagle City. I do not think it would be safefor you to go that way as you might miss the "Bear" at Nome. Dr. Young and myself agree that the best place to hold the Presbytery will be at St. Michael, then you and myself can probably be present.

With kind regards to Mrs. Marsh and your parents, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 13, 1.

Mrs. F. H. Pierson,
Home Missions,
#156 5th Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mrs Pierson:

I enclose you ~~some~~ marked copi~~es~~y of some English suggestions for running young peoples' and Christian Endeavor Societies. Perhaps they may be of service to your Christian Endeavor Secretary.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 13, 1901.

Rev. Curtis P. Coe,
Wood Island,
Kodiak, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of December 26th, concerning affairs at Kodiak school, has been received, and I thank you very much for giving us inside information. I hope you will always feel not only free, but induced to do the same thing in the future. Our object at this end of the line is to give good moral teachers, but we are not always able to know or get at the character of those applying.

It is so easy to get recommendations that bad men sometimes impose upon us, but they are never appointed if we know it in advance. I have secured for you at the Calvary Baptist Church in this city a printing-press and knitting machine. If Dr. Ball leaves Kodiak next summer what would you say to transferring Mr. Bunnell from Wood Island to Kodiak, and sending a good Baptist woman teacher to Wood Island.

Other things being equal I prefer to place a woman in our schools, and if this should meet with your approval will open correspondance with Mrs. McWhinnie at once for a good Baptist teacher. The Alaska Commercial Company have some buildings at Wood Island which are of no further use to them, and which they are willing to sell to the Government as school room and teachers' residence. I wish you would confidentially give me your estimate of their value and how much it will cost to put them in shape for school purposes.

With kind regards to your teachers, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 13, 1.

Mr. John W. Wood,
Corresponding Secretary
of D. & F. Missions,
#281 Fourth Avenue,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Many thanks for copy of Church Calendar, just received. Among the illustrated leaflets I notice N° 900---"How to Prepare for the visit of a Missionary." I wish you would send me fifty copies, and if there is any charge send bill. We have recently sent Rev. Mr. Kimber a package of the Educational Report of Alaska. If you did not receive a copy, and care to have one, let me know and it will give me pleasure to foreward one to you.

I enclose you a penalty slip which will pay the postage on the leaflets.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Send slip

February 13, 1.

Mr. Gill S. Peyton,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Yours of February 5th, is received, and I will continue to send books as heretofore to Dr. McNiece. I hope very much that you may be able to visit us this month, as General Eaton and myself will be very glad to see you.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 14,   1.

Mr. A. T. Smith,
Clerk of Committee on Territories,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

We have a very few bound copies left of the Reindeer Report, '99, but if you wish one for your own use procure me an unbound one from the Senate Document Room, and I will exchange with you.

I send you by the mail Educational Reports for yourself and Mr. Kingsbury.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 14, 1.

Mr. Ferd Kaiser, Publisher,
St. Louis, Missouri.

My dear Mr. Kaiser:

Many thanks for another volume of the "World's Best Essays," just received.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 14, 1.

Messrs. Dodd, Mead & Co.,
New York City, New York.

Dear Sirs:

On January 4th, I sent you sample pages of a proposed book on the life of Major-General Earl VanDorn, but have heard nothing from you. Kindly let me know if the manuscript was safely received, as the writer is very solicitous about it.

Should you conclude not to publish, let me know and I will send postage for the return of the manuscript to the Bureau of Education.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

To Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

I am very sorry to be so slow about sending the accompanying check for your expenses of Itinerary in Erie Presbytery. I have waited for our Treasurer, Miss Town, to come to Erie that we might fix up all receipts etc., etc.

She has sent on to Dr. Peyton something over Six Hundred Dollars, I believe. No word has come from Mercer, Oil City, nor Titusville, though the latter has accomplished considerable, I think. The College will be built and finished by Erie Presbytery, if this be true you will not feel that your trip has been in vain. Park Church sent their contribution through the "Board of Home Missions" so I was told. Mr. Jones held all of their pledges and one half of the collection taken at the first church Union Service, January, 13th, except one $25.°° pledge given by Mr. L. M. Little, and $45.°° given by the Woman's Home Mission Society. I am exceedingly sorry about this because they only use it to swell their Home Missionary (to the Board, Collection) while the Board had nothing to do with the effort in any way. I fear the College will never see it. I cannot understand why clergymen will do such impractical things. I shall do all I can to assist the Titusville people in their effort.--one of their prominent women has just died . They are very much distressed over their loss. I will be so glad to hear from you at any time regarding your health and also about our common interest in the College.

Very sincerely,

(signed) F. J. Diefenderfer.

February 13, 1901. (Mrs. D.F.)

February 15, 1.

Mrs. D. F. Diefenderfer,
#415 Chestnut Street,
Erie, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Diefenderfer:

Your welcome letter of February 13th, is received, and I return you a receipt for the traveling expenses. I also enclose you check for one dollar which was sent direct to me by Miss Bertha Melhorn of Fairview, Pennsylvania. This is for the College. If you feel at liberty to do so ~~xxx~~ I wish you would ask one of the Session or some prominent Missionary woman of the Park Church, how large the contribution was that was sent to the Home Board. I will write at once to The Treasurer of the Home Board and call his attention to the fact that ~~it~~ the that money was ~~not~~ intended by Mr. Jones for the College, ~~it nevertheless belongs to it~~. I think however that Mr. Jones probably sent it to the Board as a special fund for the College.

In a former letter you wrote that you were expecting a visit from Mrs. John Emerson of Titusville for a conference on ways and ~~xxx~~ means for building the College building. Kindly let me know the result of your conference. I conclude that it is favorable, as you intimate in your letter of the 13th, that Erie Presbytery may be able to supply money for the building. With regard to the death of the prominent woman in the Titusville Church. Perhaps her family could be induced to give something liberal towards the building with the understanding that her name was to be attached to certain prominent rooms in the building, the proportionate cost of which might equal the amount which was contributed.

I send you by this mail specimens of Mormon literature, and if you will designate how many copies of each you need for your Presbytery, I will try to provide ~~they~~ them. I will also send Mrs. John Emerson a package. Unless the Presbytery of Erie build our building I am afraid another year will elapse without one, as at present there are no indications that furnish a reasonable expectation of receiving the money from any other source.

A few days after my return from the missionary tour of the Presbytery, I went over to Philadelphia, and was in the Presbyterian Hospital nearly a week, then learning that the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives were proposing to discontinue our Annual Appropriation for public schools in Alaska, I had to return to Washington to lobby with Congress and save our schools from destruction. When this is accomplished I will probably return to the hospital.

So far as the physicians are concerned, they think they can fix me up so that I can make my next annual trip to Alaska, then possibly upon my return in the fall, may have to undergo an operation.

If there is any way that I can assist the ladies of Titusville in their effort towards the building, let me know.

Remember me very kindly to your mother, husband and son.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 15, 1.

Rev. J. William Smith,

Warren, Pennsylvania.

My dear Brother:

Yours of the 14th, is received, and it gives me pleasure to send you a report and a couple of leaflets on Alaska in accordance with your request. I congratulate you on the chance for visiting Alaska. I think you will testify upon your return that it is the one trip of your life. On your way to or from the Pacific coast, can you not stop off in Salt Lake City, and see our Mission in connection with the Collegéate Institute, and the new College.

If there is anything I can do to add to the pleasure and profit of your trip, call on me.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

February 15, 1.

Miss Eva T. Eaton,
Fairview, Erie Co.,
Pennsylvania.

My dear Friend:

Yours of the 12th is received, also the one dollar from Miss Bertha Melhorn, also the box of books, which came safely yesterday but which I have not had time to open. Please accept thanks for them. I hope, in a few days, to send you some Mormon literature, also a copy of the last Annual Report on education and reindeer in Alaska. With kind regards to your mother and sister, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 16, 1.

A. W. Thomas,
Saxman (Ketchikan) Alaska.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of January 15th, is received. I am very sorry to hear that there is so much liquor at Saxman. I have no power to stop it myself, but would advise you to take your complaints to Governor Brady. I do not know whether he has a policeman at Saxman or not, but if he has, he can remove the policeman if he does not destroy all the whiskey he finds in the place.

With regard to the Salvation Army. I think there are many true children of God among them, but a great many of them are deceiving themselves and are not the children of God. Many of them are very ignorant and dependent upon excitement to keep them up. When they are excited they think they are serving God, then they go off and live like the world when they are away from the Army.

The people had better stay by Edward Marsden, who does not try to exwite them, but tries to educate them so that they can be Chxi Christians all the time and know what they believe. Thanking you for letting me know in your letters what is goihg on, I remain,

Yours very truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 16, 1.

Mr. H. C. Olin,
Home Missions,
#156 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Olin:

I learn that Rev. Dr. Jones of Park Church, Erie, Pennsylvania, sent the collection which was taken up for the help of Sheldon Jackson College, directly to the Board of Home Missions. I presume that he made it a special to the College. When convenient you will send it to Mr. Gill S. Peyton, Salt Lake City, Utah, who is the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees.

I had a ~~hospitable~~ pleasant Sabbath with the four Presbyterian Churches in Erie, (two Union Meetings) on Sabbath January 13th, and I hope that I have accomplished something for the College. If it is not too much trouble, let one of your clerks write me, giving the amount that Dr. Jones has sent in.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 16, 1901.

Mrs. John Emerson,

Titusville, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Emerson:

A letter from Mrs. Diefenderfer intimates that perhaps Titusville and the Erie Presbytery will give us our first college building in Utah. At present there is no indication of help in any other direction, and unless the friends at Titusville can come to our assistance I am afraid we will have to go another year without a building, which would be exceedingly injurious to the work in Utah, and the wellfare of the nation at large.

I send you today a package of leaflets on the general subject of Mormonism, and such as we have printed with reference to the College. I may be able later to send you a few more kinds. I wish you would let me know something about your proposed plans of action, and what progress is being made. If you think of any way wherein I can assist you further, do not hesitate to call upon me, and if it is a possible thing I will respond.

I learn that a prominent woman of your church has recently died, but did not learn the name. Perhaps her family may be in such circumstances that they can give something liberal towards the building, with the understanding that her name shall be attached to certain prominent rooms in the building, the proportionate cost of which may equal the amount which they contribute.

I often look back with pleasure at the pleasant days I spent in your home. Please remember me very kindly to your husband, and the youngsters Ellis and John, junior, also to your father-in-laws family.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Feb 18 1

Northwestern Investment Co
Saint Paul Minn

Dear Sirs

Yours of the 15th received.

I do not see what I could have done with the Clarkin Abstract.

In looking for it. I found the Mortgage Loan Offering blank of Messrs Cochran + Walsh written in 1888 in which they say

"Value of grounds $2000. Improvements Two story frame dwelling house &c. $1500. Total Valuation by C+W $3000 to 3500 Valuations given in these offerings are always our own, Conservatively ~~after~~ Estimated from personal investigation after receiving owners estimations"

Saint Paul must be in a bad way if it has depreciated from $3500 to $1350 the 13 years -

Very truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson

February 16 1.

Rev. R. R. Abbott, D.D.,

Albertlea, Minnesota.

Dear Doctor Abbott:

Your circular of February 13th, is received, and I am rejoiced to hear that you are intending to bring down the history of Winona Presbytery to date. I know of no one more competent than yourself to do this, and I shall be glad to welcome the new copy. About how soon do you expect it to be out? As you know, I leave for Alaska usually the last of April, if it will not be out before that, please let me know and I will make payment before I leave.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

February 18, 1.

Mr. John W. Wood,
Corresponding Secretary,
Church Missions House,
#281 Fourth Avenue,
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

Please accept thanks for leaflet Nº 900. It is the most complete circular on the subject that I have ever seen. It must be of great assistance to your missionaries in holding missionary meeting throughout the country.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

February 21, 1901.

Hon. William B. Allison,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The House of Representatives in Committee of the Whole, considering Deficiency Bill Page 13. Account of Maj Tree, U.S.A (Congressional Record, page 2989), cut out the request of the Secretary of War that he be authorized to pay me extra compensation for my work for the War Department, in procuring reindeer and Lapps for the relief of miners in the Yukon Valley during the winter of 1897-98. The paragraph was stricken out on the point of order that it was not "authorized by existing laws".

But it was authorized By Act of Congress, approved December 18, 1897, entitled "an Act authorizing the Secretary of War in his discretion to purchase subsistence stores, supplies, and materials for the relief of the people who are in the Yukon River country, to provide means for their transportation and making appropriation therefor", the Secretary of War was directed: "first, to purchase subsistende stores and materials for the relief of destitute people in the Yukon Country; second, purchase transportation and provide means for the distribution of ~~x~~relief; third, that he may use the Army of the United States in furnishing relief; fourth, that he may purchase, and import, and employ, and bring into the country, reindeer drivers as herders; fifth, that he may provide such other means of transportation as he may deem practicable".

This Act gave the Secretary of War full power to employ such agents as he thought best for carrying out the purposes of the Act and I was employed by him as one of said agents.

The question of my payment was not one of whether "it was authorized by law", but turned on the point of two salaries, As I was receiving a salary of $2,500.°° from the Interior Department the Auditor held that I was not entitled to the $1,300.°° from the War Department without a special act of Congress and to secure this special act of Congress authorizing the Secretary of War to give me the extra compensation, which he felt that I was entitled to, he made the request of Congress that he be authorized to pay me for this extra amount out of the appropriation which was given him for that purpose i in 1897, so that the authorization that he asks for does not call for any new appropriation.

The extra compensation was duly paid me by the order of the Secretary of War in March, 1899, and has long since been expended in the living expenses of my family. To be compelled to return that amount, which I have so fully earned, will be a great hardship.

During the thirteen months, from December, 1897 to February, 1899, I not only faithfully carried on the special work of the War Department for which the charge is made, but also discharged my full duties in the Department of the Interior for the same time.

I enclose you the letter of the Secretary of War (House Document N° 161); letter of the Commissioner of Education to the Secretary of the Interior, September 13, 1900; and my own letter of July 14, 1900, to the Commissioner of Education on the subject.

Trusting that you will use what influence you can to secure me justice in this matter, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Sent to. Hon Wm B. Allison
Geo C. Perkins
Geo P. Wetmore
Thos H. Carter
Jas H. Kyle
F. M. Cockrell
Wm J. Sewall
J. H. Berry
S. M. Cullom
R. F. Pettigrew
J. R. Hawley
K. Nelson
B. R. Tillman
H. M. Teller
F. E. Warren

February 23, 1.

Rev. R. G. McNiece,
#1248 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Doctor McNiece:

I send you the copy of another letter received from Erie Presbytery, showing in part, their plans. I think that ultimately they will raise us money for the building, but I doubt whether they will secure it early enough to build this coming summer with only four or five thousand out of the twenty-seven thousand additional needed from Titusville. I think it will be a long process as they are evidently looking for a canvass of the Presbytery, and many small amounts. I had hoped that Mr. Emerson would give $10,000.⁰⁰ instead of a possible $2,000.⁰⁰. Still it is encouraging to see their interest.

I think however we are making progress and can take courage.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

C. O. P. Y. Titusville, Pa.,

February 20, 1901.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

I was very glad to hear from you. The packages of leaflets and books came and I shall be glad to distribute them where they will do the most good. I had been intending to write you and tell you something of our plan to raise funds for Sheldon Jackson College, but wanted to wait until I could give you some definite account of what Titusville would do before I approached the other towns or Erie Presbytery. My husband's father gives $1,000.⁰⁰ unconditionally and $1,000.⁰⁰ more in case the $27,000.⁰⁰ is all raised in this Presbytery Mr. Milton Stewart gives $500.⁰⁰ conditionally---but I think he will give more. My husband's sister Sonstance is greatly interested and is helping me. One gentleman whom I counted on surely is "not interested" and will give nothing. But we are not going to get discouraged in the good work. The lady to whose death you referred was Mrs. Hoag and her family are not in a position to give much, if anything. I will let you know from time to time of our success/or failure as the case may be. I earnestly pray for the fommer. At all events Constance and I will make every effort. We did enjoy your little visit so much, and trust sometime when all the money is subscribed you can come again. My husband wishes to be most kindly remembered and Ellis and John often speak of you. Trusting that you are quite well, Believe me your very sincere friend,

(Signed)

Lilian Ellis Emersoh.

February 25, 1.

Rev. R. G. McNiece, D.D.,
#1248 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Doctor McNiece:

General Eaton and myself have been conferring concerning the work in Erie Presbytery, and we think possibly money may be raised by which we can get the walls up and enclosed at least, this coming year. We are thinking of taking the plans of the several floors, procuring the number of square feet in each, and then divide the \$35,000.^{00} cost by the aggregate number of square feet, thus procuring approximately the cost of each room.

Thus we will be able to say to the friends in Erie Presbytery that if a church or individual raises the amount of money which is the pro rata cost of one room that they can place a name over the door of said room. It will furnish especially the small churches and Sabbath Schools a figure to work up to. I wish you would send me by registered mail the floor plans of the proposed building. I do not care for the detailed working plans---only the plans that give the division into rooms on the several floors, also the front elevation plan.

I hope it will be convenient to attend to this promptly as the days are rapidly approaching when I will leave again for Alaska.

The Catalogs have arrived. Thanks for the same

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

February 25, 1.

Mrs. John Emerson,

Titusville, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Emerson:

Yours of February 20th, is received, and I thank you for the information contained. I do not wish to be too inquisitive, but write for further plans in order that I may assist you with suggestions After seeing worthy individuals in person in different churches, have you a further plan for trying to interest Christian Endeavorers or Sabbath Schools? I have written to Salt Lake to obtain a plan of the building, which, if I receive, I will compute the approximate cost of each room and have a diagram printed showing the plans of the different floors, and the approximate cost of each room marked in dollars and cents, then perhaps you can say to a church or Christian Endeavorers Soc or Sabbath School---"if you will raise the money, which a room costs, you can select a name for that room, which will be painted over the door"---or if an individual pays for a room, he can select a name which the room shall bear. In this way perhaps you may stimulate a little more interest by enabling the givers to feel that they are shareholders in the enterprise.

I send you a catalog of the College. The front elevation of the first building will be found opposite the title page. It does not need necessarily to carry the name Eaton, but if Erie Presbytery erects the building, they will ~~be able to determine the name.~~ have the privilege of naming the building

On page twenty is a good picture of the building already erected for the Collegiate Institute, which is our Preparatory Department. The main building with the tower was erected by the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Synod of Pennsylvania. The Preparatory Department crowds this building so that the College Classes will be unable to have recitation-rooms ~~enough~~ in it this coming year. Young people are being constantly turned away for want of room.

With kind remembrances to the many kind friends that I made in Titusville, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 2, 1.

Rev. John F. Hurst, D.D., LL.D.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Doctor Hurst:

I have recently had a letter from Captain William F. Kilgore, commanding a Revenue Cutter in Puget Sound and in the region of Alaska, asking me to co-operate with you in trying to get his son Fred appointed to the Naval Academy at Annapolis. As you know Captain Kilgore and his wife are active working members of the Methodist Church, and I know that the Captain ranks high as an officer of the Revenue Cutter Service.

If there is any way that I can assist you in this matter, kindly indicate it.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 5th 1901

Since dictating the above, yours of the 2nd with enclosures are received

S. J.

March 2, 1.

Mrs. I. C. Kingsland,
#76 West Walnut Street,
Titusville, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Kingsland:

Yours of February 28th, is received, and I thank you very much, both in behalf of the College and myself, for your personal effort with Dr. Pierson. I always feel that any effort we put forth to advance the Kingdom of the Master is not lost whether we receive the direct thing for which we ask or not. It is the Master's work and he will wisely cause certain efforts to succeed, and certain efforts apparently to fail. It is very comforting to be able to leave the results in his hands. I will keep in mind Mr. Frank Hoffstat of Pittsburg.

Trusting that you are in the enjoyment of good health, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 2, 1.

Rev. James H. Condit,

Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

Yours of pebruary 4th, is before me and I thank you very much for your sympathy. The question of the operation is still an undecided one. The New York physician insists that it is the one thing that will save my live, the Philadelphia physician whom I consulted is not so sure that it is necessary, and at any rate thinks that I can make my usual trip to Alaska, and upon my return next fall if the operation be necessary I can then undergo it.

I assure you that I am very glad that you are back in Alaska and think you are much more needed there than you would be in Washington. When you hold your spring meeting of Presbytery, I trust the Presbytery will not overlook the overture with regard to supply for vacant churches. I expect to go to Bering Sea in the spring. I do not know whether I will be able to return by Southeast Alaska or not, but if I can it will afford me great pleasure to meet again yourself and family.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 2, 1.

Hon. John K. Cowan,
President Baltimore & Ohio R.R.,
Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Mr. Cowan:

If it is compatible with the rules of your road you will confer a very great favor if you will send me a Clergyman's half fare permit for 1901 over your roads. I wish it for the Rev. John Eaton, ~~D.D.~~, LL.D., of Washington, D. C. Dr. Eaton is giving his entire time to the development of Christian education, and holds from time to time, missionary meetings and conventions through New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, and Virginia

He held your Clerical permit for 1900. If you can renew for 1901 you will confer a very great favor.

Trusting that your family are in good health, and with kind regards to Mrs. Cowan, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 6,   1.

Rev. B. Canfield Jones, D.D.,
Erie, Pennsylvania.

My dear Doctor:

Kindly let me know the amount which was contributed by your church for the Presbyterian College in Utah, also whether it has been sent to Mr. Gill S. Peyton, Salt Lake City, Utah, or what you have done with it.

Remembering with pleasure my visit to your city, and with kind regards to your wife, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclosure

March 6, 1.

Rev. A. W. Halsey , D.D.,
Madison Square Branch, P.O. Box #2.,
New York City, New York.

My dear Doctor Halsey:

The extra copies of the Assembly Herald for January, have been received with thanks. Have you found a medical missionary that you can spare and recommend to me, yet?

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 6, 1.

Mr. Leonard Daniels,
# 8 Boston Block,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Yours of last fall addressed to me at Port Clarence, Alaska, has been forewarded to me at Washington. I hope to visit Seattle this spring on my way north, and will try to call upon you with regard to the lots of which you speak.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 6, 1.

Mr. E. C. Kilbourne,
#815 Second Avenue,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Your letter concerning lots in Lake Union Addition, is received. I am unable to give you an answer until I visit Seattle on my way north this spring.

Trusting that you and your family are well, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 6, 1.

Rev. I. T. Whittemore,
#1080 Yolo Avenue,
Pasadene, California.

My dear Brother:

Yours of February 28th, is received, and I am glad that you are safely home. I am also glad that you are not discouraged but xr are ready to take up the fight again next fall. The plan that you outline with reference to work next fall is a good one, and I hope may be carried out.

With kind regards to your daughter, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 6, 1.

Northwestern Investment Company,
Endicott Building, St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find deed to the Clarkin property, duly signed and acknowledged. My "net" covers taxes for 1900 as well as previous takes. In my letter consenting to terms, I quoted a list of things and said I was to get that much money independent of charges and obligations of any kind,-- see note to my letter of February 6th.

In your offer of this property, twelve and a half years ago, you gave me the total valuation of the property at $3,500.°°, and stated that "the valuations given in these offers are always our own, conservatively estimated from personal investigation after receiving owner's estimations".

You remember that this valuation was given before the boom in St. Paul property, and certainly St. Paul property from that date to this has not decreased from $3500.°° to $1,350.°°. If I receive $1350.°° net, I then lose several hundred dollars by the transaction. Consequently I shall expect the purchaser to pay the taxes for 1900.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

COPY.

Eaton Reindeer Station, Alaska,

December 14, 1900.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

General Agent of Education in Alaska,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

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Trusting that this meets with your approval, I remain,

Your obedient servant,

(signed) Francis H. Gambell.

March 7, 1901.

Rev. R. G. McNiece, D.D.,
1248 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Brother:

Yours with regard to a financial agent for the college is received. As much as I would enjoy the work laid out for me by you for the College, it will be impossible for me to drop the Alaska work at present. It may be in the future some time that I will be able to withdraw from the Alaska work and give attention to the College; but that time has not yet come.

What would you say to getting Duncan J. MacMillan for financial agent? I am not sure in my own mind that he is the right man, but the fact is I do not know of any one who does meet, to my mind, all the requirements.

I enclose you a copy of the action of the Board which settles Mrs. Thaw's $10,000. They do not propose to receive it. By the way, if you read carefully the letters which I sent you some time ago, you will notice that she says very frankly and positively that in making that offer she had no intention of giving the money for the College, and that if the Board did not accept it she also said, that she would not make an offer to the College of the same amount. I cannot explain to you the workings of her mind in this matter at the time she made the proposition she supposed the trustees had to pay for the collegiate property. You remember I approached her on the subject of using it for the carrying on of the Institute or the helping to secure a building, when she ~~said~~ replied she would do nothing. ~~At the same time~~ Yet I think that some time or other ~~the~~ ~~propositio~~n, after I am dead, she will give the College a good round sum. But there is no use of claiming that Mr. Bailey secured a promise of $10,000 for the College, as Mrs. Thaw herself repudiates that statement. I wish it had been so, but it was not, and as far as she is concerned we must make our arrangements independent of her for the present.

Hoping that you keep well and that things are moving I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Enclosure

I will soon either write or visit the Boards in New York and ask a Continuance of their offer of the Collegiate Institute

March 7, 1901.

The Presbyterian Ministers Fund,
Stephen Girard Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sirs:

I enclose you my yearly premium on contract No. 5028.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent,&c.

(Enclosure.)

March 7, 1901.

Mrs. Helen S. Robinson,

Menlo Park, California.

My dear Mrs. Robinson:

Yours of February 19th enclosing a draft for $100 for yourself and $50 for Miss Gay, for the Sheldon Jackson College, Salt Lake City, Utah, is received. I have turned the money over to the College and in due time will get receipts from the treasurer at Salt Lake City, which I will send you. I am not sure whether I have not acknowledged this before,--- I think I have, but lest I have not, send you this. A young college is always in straits for money; there seems so much to do when we first start. There are not only buildings to be secured but the salaries to be paid without any endowments to pay them from; consequently I assure you that the offerings of yourself and niece are exceedingly acceptable My heart oftentimes goes out to God in thankfulness that he puts it into the heart of his people to help so needy a cause.

Hoping that you are enjoying your California life and with kind regards to Miss Gay, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

March 7, 1901.

Rev. S. Hall Young, D.D.,
C/o Home Missions, 156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Brother:

Yours of the 6th is received. Mrs. Jackson is up and around and goes out a little in the day, but does not venture out much at night. She is slowly improving.

Congress has given us 50 per cent of all the license moneys received for school purposes outside of incorporated towns. This ought to yield us anywhere from 50 to $70,000 for school purposes this coming year.

Lieutenant Jarvis failed on his appropriation, but another appropriation was made of $25,000 to be expended under the War Department for indigents in Alaska. I think it was intended for future indigents, but no doubt General Randall will use it for the expenses of last fall.

I have just had a mail postmarked Eaton, December 6th, in which Dr. Gambell states that two detachments of U. S. Infantry troops that were out building the Military telegraph line were caught in a four-ft. of snow and were out of rations. He took the government reindeer at the Eaton Station and drew them supplies, then brought them back to where they could get supplies by mule teams from St. Michael. Many of the Army mules have had their hoofs frozen off and had to be shot.

I expect to leave about the middle of April for Alaska. Remember me kidnly to your family when you write.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

March 7, 1901.

Mr. Gill S. Peyton,

Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Sir:

I have received for the College, $200 from Mrs. Helen Sinclair Robinson, and $50 from Miss Gay, both from Makaweli, Hawaiian Islands.

Mr. Quincy Eaton has been so hard up for funds to pay interest and other things on college property that I have let him have the money, and I send you his receipts for $150 of the amount. The other $100 I paid to Mr. Joseph M. Huston the Philadelphia architect who has been plaguing the life out of us for payment on the architect's plans for the College. I enclose also his receipt. Please sign the enclosed receipts in duplicate and return them to me at Washington. I will send the original to the ladies and the duplicate I will retain myself.

Hoping that we may see you this spring I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c

2 (Enclosures.)

February 20, 1901.

C. O. P. Y.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

Your various letters relating to a proposition of Mrs. Thaw with regard to the Collegiate Institute have been received and carefully considered - first in conference and yesterday by the Woman's Board. I am obliged to say to you that the Woman's Board did not receive Mrs. Thaw's proposition with favor and for the following reasons

The Woman's Board has made a proposition to Sheldon Jackson College regarding the Collegiate Institute which holds good until May first, 1901 and until the terms of that proposition, by which the Woman's Board would turn the Collegiate Institute over free of charge on certain conditions, had been either accepted or declined by the trustees of Sheldon Jackson College, it was not proper for them to consider any other proposition. This was the first reason for their refusal to accept it. They regarded themselves in honor bound to convey the Institute to the Trustees of Sheldon Jackson College, if by a given date those trustees meet the conditions imposed regarding ~~the~~ its future maintenance.

In the second place we observe you say in one of your letters to Mrs. Thaw,-"If it should meet with your approval to give $2,000 without interest for five years I feel confident that under the impetus of your example I can find two or three other ladies that will contribute certain amounts annually - the aggregate of which will support the preparatory department for this five years." I infer from that sentence that you had the idea that you would secure the advantag of that $10,000 for the running expenses of the Collegiate Institute or the College, but this was not Mrs. Thaw's proposition. The property which we propose to give you free of charge she proposes to give us $10,000 for and turn it over to you without rent, subject to the same conditions which we had imposed in our offer. Furthermore, the Woman's Board is not willing to put a price of $10,000 on property that is worth $40,000. Mrs. Thaw's proposition is to "Agree to purchase from the Board of Home Missions" etc. If the Board of Home Missions were disposed to sell that property they could realize a much larger sum. They do not wish to sell it. They wish to give it to Sheldon Jackson College and desire only to secure its continuance for a term of years as a Collegiate Institute that it may not revert after several years to the Woman's Board to be taken up again.

We appreciate very much the kindness of Mrs. Thaw in making the proposition. If we could see in it any advantage to your College I am sure the Woman's Board would be more than ready to consider it favorably. But it leaves the College for support precisely where it was before. I am sure I voice the sentiments of the Woman's Board when I say that they are exceedingly anxious that the trustees shall be able within the time specified to avail themselves of their offer and I trust that such response may be made to your appeal that the transfer can be concluded within the specified time. For us, however, to expend $10,000 upon the current work in Utah would not be the assistance which you need for the carrying out of the terms of our contract. And so with good wishes, I am,

Fraternally yours,

(signed) C. L. Thompson,
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Sir:

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It is understood that there are a number of sled deer at your station with Lapp drivers, and the Commanding General therefore requests that, if consistent with your instructions and duties under the Interior Department you will furnish such animals and drivers as you may be able to spare from the herd to use in transporting supplies from Unalaklik to these parties, also from St. Michael to Unalaklik and otherwise aiding the work of construction in accordance with the detailed outline of work which will be submitted to you by the Signal Officer of this Department.

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March 11, 11

Andrew Carnegie, Esq.,

My dear Sir:

In your generous distribution of libraries we hope you will not overlook Sheldon Jackson College. It is incorporated under the laws of Utah and is in most hearty harmony with the American spirit. It has an ample campus adjoining the city of Salt Lake. It proposes to supply reading for both its students and the people of the city, and by a system of exchange, after the plan of the State Library in New York it hopes to supply students and people in three other leading towns, located North and South in the center of Utah. In this inter mountain region there is destined to be an enormous population and those now there are in great need.

Very sincerely, -

Yours etc.,

(signed) John Eaton,

President.

I know from actual contact with the educational work of the Rocky Mountains that this institution is doing a grand work. Money could not be given to a more worthy cause.

(signed) James H. Kyle,

Chairman Com. on Education, U.S.S.

A. C.

Thomas R. Bard,	U. S. S.,	from	California.
H. M. Teller,	"	"	Colorado.
Geo. C. Perkins,	"	"	California.
Geo. L. Shoup.	"	"	Idaho.
F. H. Carter,	"	"	Montana.
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Wm. M. Stewart,	"	"	Nevada.
Wm. P. Frye,	"	"	Maine.
F. E. Warren,	"	"	Wyoming.

C O P Y.

February 22, 1

My dear Dr. Jackson:

We have been diligently looking for some one to act as sole Financial Agent of the College. Your success in the Erie Presbytery and the success of Mr. Bailey in Pittsburg show that the way is open now to secure the interest of people in our College enterprise and to secure generous contributions. I think your work in the Erie Presbytery is quite remarkable for its encouraging results, considering the short time you were at work.

Still, a great deal depends on having the right man to do the work. Mr. Bailey says it needs some one who knows all about Utah and also some one in whom the people have condidence. Now I am thoroughly persuaded, Dr. Jackson, that you are the man for that important position, of Financial Agent of the College. I have consulted with four or five of the Trustees, and they think as I do about it and they wished me to confer with you about the matter. I therefore wish to ask if you would take the position if we can agree on terms? What would you say to $2,000.°°, and your traveling expenses, until we get out of the woods? We feel that it is wiser to pay a definite salary than a per cent, because it would be more satisfactory to contributors.

This will secure you definite and permanent employment while you live. In the nature of things, you will sonn have to give up your work in Alaska. While this work would require considerable travel, it would certainly not be as hard and burdensome as the Alaska work, and would leave you within easy reach of your family. I suppose after the work is started, you can carry on a part of it by correspondence at home, in Washington. I hope you will see your way clear to take up this work, for Mr. Bailey says that Pennsylvania, away from the two or three large cities where so many men go is ripe for this work.

I am mailing a letter to General Eaton at the same time with this, and I am going to ask him to talk with you about it. Please write me fully about your views on the subject.

Very heartily yours,

(signed) R. G. McNiece.

I look upon this College movement as the one Great Home Mission enterprise of the West just now. We were greatly cheered when Mr. Peyton received $592.⁰⁰ on Wednesday from Miss Mary F. Town the Treasurer of the Erie Presbytery. I am writing a letter of thanks to Mrs. Diefenderfer. I mailed you a dozen catalogs on Thursday.

C_O_P_Y.

Erie, Pennsylvania,

February 20, 1901.

My dear Doctor Jackson:

I am very glad to get the Alaska pamphlets, and shall make good use of them. We still talk of your visit here. You made a profound impression on the community, and I feel sure that it will result in a more active and practical interest here in your special work. You may always feel sure of a hearty welcome at my house from us all.

Cordially yours,

(signed) R. S. Van Cleve.

C O P Y.
A.R.C.

Rapid City, S. D.

March 1, 1901.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Washington, D. C.

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Come and see us on your way to Alaska in the spring for I would like to have you meet my husband. We are a night and half a days ride on train from Omaha and Hot Springs. A hundred miles below us the Burlington R.R., goes west from Omaha orHot Springs. I am teaching and have sixty pupils and I enjoy my work very much. Most of our pupils are Sioux. I thank you for your kind interest and help for I have been very grateful all the time even if I did seem otherwise.

I hope you will take as much interest in me as ever for I am still an Alaskan, and forgive all my shortcomings. I have a large Sunday school class. We have had a very pleasant winter and the spring winds have begun to blow. Dakota is the windiest place I evar saw. I will close with love to you and family. Ever your friend,

(signed) Florence Davis.

Address: Mrs. Sam B. Davis,
Rapid City,
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March 11, 1

Andrew Carnegie, Esq.,

My dear Sir:

After addressing you the enclosed letter, it occurred to me that you might desire the judgement of others familiar with the situation, and I obtained the endorsement of Senator Kyle, Chairman of U. S. Senate Committee on Education and Labor ~~in Utah~~, now representing South Dakota in the Senate and formerly of Utah, and a man firmly devoted to American patriotism. Confirming this view, the other endorsements were added of Senators from States in the vicinity of Utah thus giving special significance to the within request, which I hope may be favorably considered by you.

Very respectfully yours,

President.

March 12, 1901.

Rev. Josiah McClain,

1148 Blaine Avenue,

Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Brother:

Yours of March 7th inquiring in behalf of the College Trustees with regard to the prospect of securing the necessary funds to take on hand the Collegiate Institute, is received. General Eaton and myself have been compelled to give up any eexpectation of securing funds to carry on the Collegiate Institute this coming year, and if it meets with the approval of the Trustees will apply to the Home Board and the Woman's Board for an extension of time to their offer of ~~another~~ one year or more. I think that we can secure it.

I do not see what answer you need give to Mrs. Thaw's proposition; it was to the Home Board and they have answered it , a copy of which answer I have sent to Dr. Mc Niece. Unless she sees fit to make another offer the whole thing has fallen through with her.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

March 12,   1.

Mrs. William Thaw,
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania,
P. O. Box, 1086.

My dear Mrs. Thaw:

I enclose you a copy of the reply of the Board of Home Missions to your generous offer with reference to the school property in Salt Lake City. The communication will tell its own story.

It is a constant and [illegible] sorrow to me that the friends who have so nobly and generously, and with so much self-sacrifice, helped on the Lord's work, through me, in the past should any of them now stand aloof.

I have sacrificed myself and my family for the church for 43 years, and during all this nearly one-half century there has no one cause been laid so heavily upon my heart or to my mind had so great and important bearings on the welfare of Christ's Kingdom in the United States, or embraced so large a population as that of the establishment of this college in Utah and the inter mountain regions of the United States.

I could not endure the strain, did I not believe firmly, that God's hand is in it. There is no place on earth today where the conception of the character of God is so low and vile and degrading as in Utah. It is the very seat Satan, and that stronghold must be taken for Christ. The conditions that exist there make it the danger-spot of our republic, and it must be purified by the Gospel.

Realizing this, God has laid it upon the hearts of some of His followers to make the struggle and raised up many hearts to make daily prayer for the success of the enterprise. In Utah there is a chosen band of nearly one hundred missionaries who have signed a written pledge to pray daily for the first College Building, until it is erected.

If God did not intend to give us this College for his church he would not have laid the cause so heavily upon so many hearts. He has everything ready--has given many consecrated followers great wealth, and he can turn one or many of them to the work as easily as I can turn over my hand. The work and the cause is his, and yet for the present he delays to answer the prayers that his own spirit has excited.

Perhaps he thinks the work is so important that he delays in order to test and develop and strengthen our trust and faith. As he said to the woman in the Gospel, apparently a repulse to her, that it was not meet to take the children's food and give it to dogs in order. as the Gospels show, to test her faith, and when so fully tested, brought joy to her heart in the granting of her desire; so God may be testing us.

Or, he may intend to stimulate our zeal and increase our sense of gratitude to him by delaying until we are more desperate in our importunities. Or, he may delay to show us our complete helplessness, in order that when the blessing comes, we may the more give him the glory.

He gives us encouragement enough to keep us from despair, ~~xx~~ and to help us to realize that it is his work and he proposes to give the blessing, and yet he is withholding the hearts of his people to give us the building, but sooner or later he will hear our importunate cries, and touch somebody's heart to put up that building.

I had hoped that it might be your heart that God would have touched to answer the prayers of his people, but whether it is yours or someone's else I know it will come sooner or later.

I had not heard of the death of Mrs. McEwan. How desolate the Doctor's home must be. I will write him.

With kind regards to your household, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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March 12, 1901.

Rev. William McEwan, D.D.,
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

My dear Doctor McEwan:

A letter from Mrs. Thaw brings the sad news of the great sorrow that has fallen upon your life in the departure for the better land of your wife. I can conceive of no greater trial in this life than such a separation, and yet it is a comfort to know that in this great sorrow you know where to look for comfort and support and strength; that you have learned in other and lesser trials to trust to the overruling providence of a wise and loving father, and that as he has supported you in the past, he will not leave you comfortless now.

While the sorrow is for you and your friends, the joy is for her. I have two children with the Master, and I often love to think of the progress they are making under the direct tuition, and in the direct presence of the Master himself, and as I dwell upon them my heart warms and beats more quickly in the anticipation of enjoying that same privilege myself. Heaven seems very near when it shelters our loved ones.

That you may be comforted by the Master is, and will continue to be the prayer of your sympathizing friend,

Sheldon Jackson

March 12, 1901.

Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D. D.,
Secretary of the Board of Home Missions,
#156 Fifth Avenue, New York City, N. Y.

My dear Doctor Thompson:

Will you kindly bring before the officers of the Board and the Woman's Board, at your convenience, the matters with reference to the transfer of the Salt Lake College Institute this summer to the trustees of the College.

I am not authorized to speak officially in the name of the trustees, but they are looking to General John Eaton and myself, for the funds which will enable them to comply with the terms of your very kind offer of some months ago

General Eaton and myself have had the matter under careful consideration, and circumstances too lengthy for full detail in a letter have convinced us that the trustees will not be able to assume the support of the institute next September. But we unite in requesting that the Board will extend the time, and give use one or more years in which to meet the proferred terms.

We are making steady progress towards getting on our feet. There is a growing interest on the part of certain persons to help us raise money. The property in Washington is gradually being brought out of the confusion into which it was thrown by Dr. Gordon, and we think we se light ahead.

herefore, we would most respectfully ask that the offer be continued or another year or more, for us to work up to. When I met you soething over a year ago, I expected to be continued in my fromer ruged health and be able to go into the field a few weeks and raise the oney if necessary, but this past winter I have been reminded by he physicians that I could not work as in former years, and confintially may say to you, that I am threatened with a severe surical operation when I return from Alaska next fall.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

COPY.

Salt Lake City, Utah,
1148 Blaine Avenue,
March 8th, 1901.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Sir:

We come to you now to lay an additional burden upon your heart. At a meeting of our Board Wed. March 6", some very definite conclusions were reached, and I was directed to communicate them to you and Gen. Eaton. We decided some competent person must be in the field as financial agent or we must soon go to the wall. Our Professors are unpaid. I think we owe Dr. McNiece ten months salary and the other two about six. You know how it is at the other end; our Agent J. Quincy Eaton and Gen. Eaton hardly know which way to turn. In addition to all this, we must secure funds for the erection of our building, so the deed to the ground can be secured to the College, and the deeds to the lots sold by Dr. Gordon made good. Indeed we feel the success of our enterprise depends upon our having the right man at the head of affairs just now. You are as much interested in the success of this undertaking as we are your position in the Church will secure you a hearing, so we come to you now and say we have been endeavoring to carry out your wishes, we have deferred to your judgment, and now we believe it is the time for you to hear this call from us.

Therefore at this meeting you were unanimously chosen President of the College and Financial Agent at a salary of $2500 and traveling expenses, the same to be paid out of the funds collected by you. It seems at this time absolutely necessary to connect the two offices, for we must cut down our expenses. This was not done to get rid of Gen. Gordon but to save ourselves from financial ruin. We appreciate Gen. Eaton, we respect him, and we would have given him an opportunity to step aside of his own accord before this action was taken; but we must speak now when you are within reach, and have you this year or we must close up shop.

We must save expenses, we must secure the services of the man who can fill both positions, that we think is sufficient explanation to justify the action.

Now Dr. Jackson we lay this burden on you confident you are the one to take it up. On behalf of the Trustees I will engage to say we will stand by you and help you in every way possible to us.

Yours Respectfully,

Josiah McClain,

Secretary.

March 18 1.

Hon. Henry M. Teller,

United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

If you can do so without any inconvenience to yourself, I would regard it as a favor if you would be so kind as to secure two sets of

"Messages and Papers of the Presidents, 1789-1899. Published by authority of Congress by the Hon. James D. Richardson."

I would like one for myself and the other for my assistant Mr. William Hamilton. Both sets would be appreciated and used.

Very respectfully yours

Sheldon Jackson

March 15, 1

Mrs. D. F. Diefenderfer,
#415 Chestnut Street,
Erie, Pennsylvaina.

My dear Mrs. Deifenderfer:

Yours of March 12th, is received, and I hasten to reply that Mrs. Thaw's offer of $10,000.°° was not made to the College, but to the Board of Home Missions, and was so hedged about with conditions that the Board has declined to accept the gift. The offer on the part of Mrs. Thaw was made to the Board under a misconception, on ~~the~~ her part ~~of Mrs. Thaw~~, with reference to the purpose of the Board in turning over the Collegiate Institute to the College trustees, and, upon my return from Erie Presbytery, I had an interview with Mrs. Thaw and then wrote her asking her, as the Board had already offered to donate the Collegiate Institute without payment by the trustees, whether she would [illegible] be willing to make the offer of $10,000.°° to the College Trustees, either for a building or for the support of the Preparatory [illegible] (Collegiate Institute), but she declined giving anything to [illegible]

We have no reasonable ~~We can not make any base of~~ expectation of getting a cent for the building from Mrs. Thaw. I have written to Rev. Doctor Jones asking him how much money was raised at that collection, and whether it has been sent to Mr. Peyton, but, so far, have received no answer.

I will be glad to hear from you from time to time as matters make progress.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 15, 1.

Mrs. W. G. McDowell,
#1420 Rhode Island Ave.,
Washington, D. B.

My dear Mrs. MacDowell:

Enclosed find a package of envelopes in which you can transmit any applications for a position in Alaska. The applications of Miss Groves and Miss Shirley, are received, and will be placed on File.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 15, 1.

Mr. A. E. Diefendorf,
Hotel Ravere,
Tacoma, Washington.

Dear Sir:

I enclose you letters to two leading citizens of Portland. Mr. William Ladd is a banker, and Mr. Wadhams a wholesale garcer of that city.

I hope they may do you some good.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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March 15, 1.

Mr. William Wadhams,

Portland, Oregon.

My dear Sir:

Permit me to speak your interest in behalf of Mr. A. E. Diefendorf. His father was a noted Presbyterian minister and educator back in the 40's and 50's of last century. He is the man that started me for college. I was an inmate of his family for over a year and knew and respected him and his household very much. His son, who is or has been the ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church, is an applicant for a position in the purser department of Doddwell Comapny's steamers in the Alaskan and Oriental trade.

If you have any influence with that firm you will help a worthy brother and confer a personal favor upon myself in using it for Mr. Diefendorf.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
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March 15, 1.

Mr. William Ladd,

Portland, Oregon.

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Remember me very kindly to Mrs. Ladd and her mother Mrs. Andrews.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 16, 1901.

Rev. Robert S. Van Cleve, D. D.,

Erie, Pennsylvania.

My dear Doctor Van Cleve:

As I was leaving Erie in January, you promised me that the Ministers would not let the matter drop of securing funds for the College at Utah. I have just noticed in the Evangelist that your Presbytery holds its spring meeting at Bradford April 9th. Do you think it would be worth while for me to make a statement before Presbytery either during a day session or in connection with a popular missionary meeting at night, and then have the friends arrange that the Presbytery recommend to the Christian Endeavorers or Sabbath Schools or Churches, that they take the matter up and do what they can? This might clinch the matter and set the work going for the summer. I do not know that I would have anything new on the subject to say to the brethren who heard me during my stay in your Presbytery, but it would be new to those who did not hear me, and might refresh the memory of those who did hear me.

I am desperately driven for time and expect to start for Alaska the middle of April, yet this matter is so important that if you think it worth while I will make a flying trip to Presbytery. If you think best you might correspond with Dr. Hickman of Bradford

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concerning it. I made an address in his Church on the subject in the fall, and he promised me that his Church would do something in April; he seemed to be quite interested. Let me know what you think about it.

Kind regards to your family, and also to Miss Spencer.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

March 16, 1901.

Rev. George M. Hickman, D. D.

Bradford, Pa.

My dear Brother:

I notice that the Erie Presbytery will meet in your Church on April 9th, and the question has arisen in my mind whether I could help the Presbyterian College in Utah by offering to come to Presbytery either during a day session, or at a popular evening missionary meeting, for permission to bring the matter before Presbytery, with the hope that Presbytery might recommend the College to the Sabbath Schools, Christian Endeavorers, or Churches of the Presbytery.

I expect to leave for Alaska about the middle of April and every moment of time is precious to me, yet the claims of the College are so urgent that if you thought it worth while I would make a flying trip to Bradford for the occasion. I have just written to Dr. Van Cleve, your Stated Clerk, on the same subject and presume that he will correspond with you.

With kind regards to your wife and daughter, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

March 19   1.

Hon. James H. Kyle,

United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

If you can do so without any inconvenience to yourself, I would regard it as a favor if you would be so kind as to secure for me a set of "Messages and Papers of the Presidents, 1789-1899. Published by authority of Congress by the Hon. James D. Richardson."

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

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Hon. D. S. Alexander,

House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Alexander:

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Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

March 20, 1.

Rev. Joseph R. Monfort,

Tacoma, Washington.

My dear Brother:

Your circular, asking for assistance for Theological Seminary, Anselmo, California, is received. It would afford me much pleasure to assist that worthy institution, but, at present, all of the funds that I can spare are required for our Presbyterian College, at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 20, 1.

Mr. Ferd P. Kaiser, Publisher,
St. Louis, Missouri.

My dear Mr. Kaiser:

Volume 6, "C. E. E. W. B. Essays, is just received. I find these essays of continued interest, which is enhanced by the beauty of the type and binding.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Alaska
Sheldon Jackson Washington D.C.

March 20, 1901.

To the Board of Home Missions,

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to forward you my report, as Presbyterial Missionary in Alaska, for the year ending February 28, 1901. During the year I have visited and inspected the schools and Missions at Sitka, St. Lawrence Island, Nome, Teller, and also, by correspondence, looked after the Missions in Southeast Alaska, and at Point Barrow. During the year I have made 53 public Missionary Addresses in the interests of the Board and Church, besides preaching at different points in Alaska.

If it meets with the approval of the Board I would ask for the same agreement for the year commencing March 1, 1901.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Fwd. C.

March 23

Mr H. C. Olin
Board of Home Missions
156 Fifth Ave
New York
N.Y.

Dear Brother

Yours of the 20th is received. I have sent the Letter from the General Land Office to all the Missionaries &c.

At Point Barrow Claim 640 acres (at the new location proposed by Dr [illegible]

Cape ~~[illegible]~~ Gambell of St Lawrence Island (all the vacant space around the Mission building and an outlet to the lake. say ~~320~~ 640 acres in an oblong form)

Haines 640 acres. Hoonah 640 acres. Juneau (outside of town) 640 acres or less) Sitka 640 acres, with the understanding that the Board will deed to the owners of the Model Cottages the lots upon which their buildings stand

Ft. Wrangell – All the vacant land around the Church & Mission

Saxman. 640 acres with same conditions as at Sitka as deeding lots to natives

Jackson 640 acres ditto " " " "

To C.E.

A few days ago I sent in my annual report as Presbyterial Missionary to Alaska. When convenient, please forward my salary. I have also asked for reappointment.

Very Truly Yours

Sheldon Jackson

I have not yet been able to bring the question of purchasing the house at Point Barrow before the Commissioner of Education. We are still waiting to see how much money, we will have.

S.J.

March 23 1

Hon J. L. Bristow
4th Asst P. M. Genl.
Washington

My dear Sir
Yours of the 20th inst. (F.L.) concerning post Master at Juneau Alaska is received and the reply satisfactory -
With the Endorsements that Mr Hubbard had there was nothing else to do but appoint him

Very truly Yours

Sheldon Jackson
U. S. Genl. Agt. of Education
in Alaska

March 20 / 1

Mr John [illegible]
Elkton Md

My dear Brother

Rev Dr Wm H. Roberts yesterday informed me that two ladies of your Church some time ago contributed some money to assist Sheldon Jackson College. Afterwards Dr Gordon, former Financial Agent returned it to them, and they sent it back to them. Dr Gordon was dismissed in the summer of 1900 by the Trustees of the College for incompetency and in the final settlement, the trustees have been unable to learn from whom he received contributions. His accounts are very much mixed. Kindly send me the names and address of the donors from your Church and I will be glad to communicate with them. The College is going through the usual struggle of young institutions but the need for it is so urgent that we have faith to believe that God will raise up friends for it and make it a great blessing to [illegible]

Your Bro in Christ

Sheldon Jackson

Washington D.C. Mch 25. 1907

Mr William A. Kjellmann
Mount Horeb Wis

My dear Mr Kjellmann

Yours of the 20th is received. I am glad you have received so large a portion of the one mail Contract, & when they explain to you why the whole, 2400 was not sent let me hear from you. I find that I have not the expenses of the Eaton station in the Contract with sufficient explicitness to make out the bills.

I would suggest, if it meets with your approval, that when you have paid Mr Steiniger & such other accounts as you know about, that you send me a draft for the balance, and when in Alaska this Summer I will settle up everything & take duplicate receipts, one for you & the other for myself. I hope to save the Station enough out of the amount to be ~~afte~~ able to repay you the amounts which you advanced Mr Hedmeyer As I do not know of any other fund from which his unpaid account can be taken.

Do not again ever make advances to the employees for the government, as you are ~~at~~ liable some time to get ~~caught~~ left and lose your advance.

I expect to be in Chicago enroute to Alaska sometime between April 15th & 20th. If I let you know in time, will you be well enough to meet me at Chicago? I want a conference with you very much -

Kind regards to Mrs Kjellmann

Very truly Yours

Sheldon Jackson

COPY.
A R C

Board of Home Missions,
#156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

March 22nd, 1901.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

Referring to my recent letter in which I said that there did not seem to me to be any probability that the Woman's Board would extend the agreement entered into with the trustees of Sheldon Jackson College and to a brief conversation I had with General Eaton on the subject, I write now to ask why it will not meet the important necessities of the case, so far as Sheldon Jackson College is concerned, if the Woman's Board, not extending the present agreement, shall go on with the work of the Collegiate Institute as if no such agreement had ever been made or was in contemplation for the future, but saying to the trustees of the college that at any time in the future whether in one, two or three years or any other time when the trustees are able to give assurance that they are ready to take over the Collegiate Institute and to provide for its work, the Woman's Board will give favorable consideration to such renewed proposition. You would in that case have the moral effect which would come from announcing that the Collegiate Institute is now in effect the preparatory department for Sheldon Jackson College and is expecting to be so in formal fact at no distant future date. You would not, of course, use the name in your publications as now belonging to your college nor would you number its students with your students, but aside from these disadvantages, it seems to me you would secure all the moral advantage that you would get by an extension of the agreement and I am of the opinion that the Woman's Board would be perfectly willing that such an understanding should be had between the trustees and them and such moral effect secured for the college.

With good wishes, believe me,

Fraternally yours,
(signed) C. L. Thompson,
Secretary.

March 28, 1901.

E. W. Tatlock,

Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 15th is received. If at any time I can be of assistance to your friends who are pushing your case, tell them to call on me. I shall probably be along the Salt Lake way about April 20th.

Truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 28, 1901.

Mrs. Emma C. Littlejohn,
#723 Seventh Street, N. E.,
Washington, D. C.

Madam:

Yours of March 19th, asking for a Missionary Address during April, is received, and I greatly regret that the state of my health and the near approach of my departure to Alaska , the middle of April, will prevent my accepting your kind invitation.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 28, 1901.

Mrs. E. G. Meacham,

Chardon, Geauga County, Ohio.

Madam:

Yours of the 22nd, with reference to the position of Deputy Postmaster at Teller, is received. Allow me to suggest that you write to your Congressman, and also to one of the Senators from your state asking them to write the Postmaster General and ask that you be appointed Deputy at Teller.

These offices are secured largely upon the recommendation of Congressmen. If you know of any influential Republican in your community who would also introduce you to the Senator it will greatly help. I have no power in the matter, and, at present, no influence as the Postmaster has been changed since I left there last fall, and the present Postmaster is a stranger to me.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

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March 28, 1.

Goodall, Perkins & Co.,
#10 Market Street,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sirs:

Please accept thanks for pass for my daughter, from Seattle to Sitka and return, which is safely received.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 28, 1.

Rev. R. G. McNiece, D. D.,
#1243 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Doctor:

I enclose you a copy of a letter from Doctor Thompson concerning the Collegiate Institute. In the conversation General Eaton had with Doctor Thompson recently he suggested that we just let the matter run for the present, very much in accordance with the tone of the enclosed letter. I have not had an opportunity of conferring with General Eaton on the subject but on first reading it seems that this arrangement might answer very well.

I expect to be in Salt Lake somewhere about the 20th of April. As soon as I can definitely determine, I will write you in order that the trustees may be called together if they desire an interview. The day that I am in Salt Lake I hope that you will arrange to give your classes a holiday so that you and I can have full time for conference.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

March 29, 1901.

Mr. Everett Sisson,
Business Manager of "The Interior",
69 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

It affords me much pleasure to say a good word for the "Interior." As I visit leading churches through the country, holding missionary meetings, and glean the opinions of ministers and others with regard to Church literature, I find that your paper is considered in the "foremost ranks", if not the "leading" newspaper of the Church. I hope that its popularity among readers is an index of a good subscription list. I was much surprised some two years ~~weeks~~ ago when Dr. Gray visited Seattle to find so large a number who were regularly taking the Interior, in that city.

Hoping you may continue to prosper, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~U. S. General Agent, &c.~~

March 29, 1901.

Mr. R. E. Waters,
Chardon, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 22nd instant with reference to Mrs. E. J. Meacham, is received. I have written her that the Postmaster at Teller, who has the nominating of his deputy, is a stranger to me, and probably I have no influence. It would be a good thing if you or some other friends of Mrs. Meacham could interest one of the U. S. Senators from your State, or the Congressman from your district, to write the Postmaster General asking that Mrs. Meacham be appointed deputy at Teller. Such a request going from headquarters would be considered and acted upon favorably by the Postmaster at Teller.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

March 29, 1901.

Mrs. E. M. Sherzer,

5968 Cote Brilliante Avenue,

St. Louis, Missouri.

Madam:

Yours of the 20th instant with reference to the payment of $500 from your son is received. Mr. William A. Kjellmann, who was the contractor, has, within the last two weeks only received a portion of his pay, and he writes me that he has already sent you a check for $400. Your son requested $100 of his $500 be sent to himself.

Hoping that you have received the check safely, and that the long delay has not seriously inconvenienced you, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

March 29, 1901.

Mrs. I. C. Kingsland,

76 West Walnut Street,

Titusville, Pa.

My dear Friend:

Yours of March 26th is received and I have sent Mrs. Dix the information that she desires.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

March 29, 1901.

Mrs. E. F. Dix,

Lancaster, Massachusetts.

Madam:

At the request of Mrs. Kingsland, of Titusville, Pa., I send you some literature which will furnish the information asked for.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

March 29, 1901.

Rev. John Mc'Elmoyle,
Elkton, Maryland.

My dear Brother:

Yours of March 28th is received, also receipts for which please accept thanks. The ladies will yet receive deeds to the lots if they wish them. The delay arises from the fact that at the time the lots were promised the trustees had not yet received a deed to them, and, through a combination of circumstances, have not yet received the deeds.

The history of the matter is as follows: Two gentlemen in Salt Lake City donated 80 acres of fine land for the College conditioned on the erection of a college building upon the land. The deed to the land, I understand, was duly made out and signed, and then left in escrow, to be delivered to the trustees whenever the money was in hand for the erection of the college building. These same gentlemen afterward made a verbal promise that they would lay out in city lots, adjoining land to the campus, and would allow the college trustees a per centage on all lots sold by the trustees.

It was these lots that Doctor Gordon, with the approval of a majority of the trustees but not with the approval of President Eaton and myself, offered to donors. General Eaton and myself took the ground that anyone who wished to help the college would be willing to make an out and out donation to the college, and not have half of their donation only, help the college.

Dr. Gordon, through his mismanagement, failed in the erection of the building, consequently the trustees, up to the present, have not received a title to the land and therefore have been unable to make deeds to several parties who contributed to the college with the expectation of receiving a lot.

There are probably others that are similarly situated to Miss Finley and Miss White, both of your church. So far, the trustees have been unable to get a list from Doctor Gordon of the parties contributing, and they are commencing arrangements to go into the courts to compel an accounting.

This statement, of yours, is the first information we have had with regard to the two ladies in question. I have no doubt that others have contributed, concerning whom we have no knowledge, but wherever we can get hold of names, ultimately the trustees will carry out the agreement. Our struggle this year, as well as last, was to raise money for this first building. The building erected, then the trustees will have some lots, and will deed them to the parties to whom they are due, so far as we can find out who the parties are.

I am very sorry that Doctor Gordon has made this failure as it delays an important work, and has given rise to suspicions on the part of those who do not know the circumstances, and whom we cannot inform because we have not their names.

However, all those that have given for the Lord will receive their reward, and for some wise purpose the Lord has allowed this thing to occur. We can only pray that it will ultimately prove for the furtherance of the Gospel.

Kindly show this letter to the above ladies. I will return you their receipts in ~~a few days~~. this.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

2 Enclosures.

Washington Mch 30 1

Messrs Martin Bros
1925 Penn^a Ave Washington

Dear Sirs

In your statement of Mch 21st There is $1 charged on ~~Nilands~~ your bill for which Mr Niland has given no receipt and Mr O. Neil's bill is not receipted at all

In making out checks to my wife her name is Mary V (not E) Jackson

Very truly yours
Sheldon Jackson

2 Enclosures.

March 30, 1901.

Miss Grace Lee Parker,
#879 Main Street,
Buffalo, New York.

My dear Madam:

Yours of March 13th, enclosing check for \$30.⁰⁰ payment on your note, is received. I am very sorry to be compelled to inform you that it was received too late as the property was sold by the trustees on the 7th of March, for \$455.⁰⁰. Your note to me was \$250.⁰⁰ with interest \$41.25. I had received no interest for nearly three years and could not let the note run longer lest it would outlaw. I had written to you repeatedly, calling your attention to the need of making a payment, without receiving any thing from you.

Last spring the place was sold by the Government for taxes. Interest on taxes, when they are redeemed, is so heavy that I felt that I could not let the thing run any longer.

I return you your check and the trustee, Mr. Frank A. Harrison, will send you a check for \$17.94, which the lot sold for over and above expenses. I am very sorry that you did not attend to it before the sale as it would have paid you to hold the lot until it could be sold.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~General Agent of Education in Alaska~~

Enclosure

March 30, 1901.

Rev. William R. Campbell,
Lock Box #103, Madison Square Station,
New York City, New York.

Dear Brother Campbell:

I read last evening your interesting letter to General Eaton, and, at his request, send you a few copies of the Home Mission Leaflet concerning myself. Whenever you wish any copies of it please go to Miss Rue of the Literature Department of the Woman's Board and get what you want, asking her to charge the same to me.

Praying that you may be sustained in your arduous and self-sacrificing work, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclosure

March 30, 1901.

Mrs. M. C. Reynolds,

#510 Tremont Temple,

Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Reynolds:

It gives me pleasure to introduce to you, and through you to your associates of the Woman's Baptist Home Missionary Society, the Rev. William R. Campbell, a Presbyterian Missionary in Utah. Mr. Campbell is editor of the "Kinsman", and has for the last two or three years been employed in the East in securing the expulsion of Mr. Roberts from Congress and the proposed amendment against polygamy. He is the best informed man living, with regard to the theology and tendencies of Mormonism. I believe him to understand that system better than the men that are at the head of it.

I congratulate you that the friends of righteousness and of the purity of the American home, are to have him for a brief season in New England. Anything that you and your assistants can do to forward his mission, among you will help raise up friends for your mission work in that storm center of the country. — Utah.

Trusting that your society receipts are coming in satisfactorily, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

March 30, 1901.

Miss Kathryn Rue,
Literature Department,
Board of Home Missions,
#156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, New York.

My dear Friend:

Enclosed find One Dollar for which send as many copies of the Leaflet of myself as the money will pay for. I have written the Rev. Mr. Campbell that when he needs any copies of the same in his work he can call upon you for them. You will kindly keep account of those you let him have and send the bill to me.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclosure

April 1, 1901.

General Passenger Agent C. & N.W. R.R.Co.,

N° 22, Fifth Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

For a number of years past, in April or May, you have kindly furnished me a ticket from Chicago to Portland or Seattle at clerical rates, on my annual trip of inspection of the schools and missions in Alaska. This year I expect to be accompanied by my daughter, who will spend the summer in botanical and art studies in that little-known country. Will it be possible for you to include her also under clerical rates as a member of my family? If your rules do not allow that, could you not give her a special rate similar to the $30.°° which you are advertising for Tuesdays in April, and allow her to use it in the Tourist Sleeper leaving Chicago at 6:30 P. M. on the 18th? I am so busy that I do not care to leave the East until just time to reach the Steamer at Seattle on the 25th of April, consequently I need not leave Chicago before Thursday at 6:30 P. M. on the 18th of the month. It is possible that I could get ready for Tuesday night the 16th, but it would greatly inconvenience me to do so.

Any facilities that you can assist us to, will be no loss to the Road and will be greatly appreciated by myself.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 1, 1901.

Mrs. D. F. Diefenderfer,
415 Chestnut Street,
Erie, Pennsylvania.

My dear Friend:

I am expected to make an address at the meeting of the Erie Presbytery at Bradford on April 10th. Would it be possible and convenient for you and Mrs. Emerson to meet me there for a conference with reference to a systematic effort to secure the College building from the Presbytery? If it is thought best I will try and get Presbytery to appoint a committee either of ladies or men, or both, to work the matter up this spring and summer, as the Twentieth Century Fund.

Have you any suggestions to make?

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~General Agent, Ed.~~

April 1, 1901.

Rev. Robert S. Van Cleve, D.D.,
Erie, Pennsylvania.

My dear Dr. Van Cleve:

Mr. Hickman of Bradford has invited me to attend your Presbytery on the 10th instant and make an address on the subject of the College. I wish very much Presbytery would take hold of the matter as one of their 20th Century contributions and appoint a committee, either of Ministers and Elders, or of Women, or a joint committee of both, to work the matter up in the Churches. Kindly think and pray over the subject so that when we meet we will know what is best to be done.

With kind regards to your family and Miss Spencer, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~General Agent, &c.~~

April 1, 1901.

Mrs. John Emerson,

Titusville, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Emerson:

I am expected to make an address at the meeting of Presbytery at Bradford on April 10th. Would it be possible and convenient for you and Mrs. Diefenderfer to meet me there for a conference with reference to a systematic effort to secure the College building from the Presbytery? If it is thought best I will try and get Presbytery to appoint a committee either of ladies or men, or both, to work up the matter this spring and summer, as the Twentieth Century Fund. Have you any suggestions to make?

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~General Agent, &c.~~

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April 1, 1901.

To the Trustees of
Sheldon Jackson College,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Sirs:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a letter dated March 8th, 1901, from the Secretary of your Board communicating officially to me your action in electing me to the office of president and financial agent of the College. I greatly appreciate the honor you have conferred upon me, and the expression of your confidence.

I have given the subject careful thought and recognize the great opportunity it would afford of doing a work, with God's blessing, in the success of which I am very deeply interested. Not a day passes that the College and its interests are not on my heart and in my prayers, but this privilege of taking the presidency for the present at least must be foregone, as I am so situated that I can not yet give up the Alaska work without great detriment to the kingdom of Christ.

I hope (D.V.) to be in Salt Lake, April 19th, and if you wish, will be glad to meet and confer with you. I think that we can find another way out of our present difficulties. If I had been able to have accepted your call I would have asked that General Eaton be continued President emeritus without salary, and I think that whenever we secure a president it will be both appropriate and to our interest to continue General Eaton's ~~his~~ relation to us.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

~~U. S. General Agent, [illegible]~~

April 1, 1901.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company,
Ocean Dock, Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sirs:

Please reserve a berth in a pleasant state-room for my daughter, Miss Elizabeth Jackson, from Seattle to Sitka, on the "Cottage City", leaving April 25th.

Miss Jackson has a pass from Goodall & Perkins of San Francisco.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent of
Education in Alaska.

April 1, 1901.

The Northwestern Investment Company,
Endicott Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sirs:

The time has arrived for a quarterly statement from your firm. Although you have made me positive promises at different times that I should receive quarterly statements yet I notice that but two statements have been received for the past year instead of the four that were promised. I remind you at this time as I am about to leave for Alaska and wish the statement~~s~~ promptly. The coming by the way of St.Paul and stopping off costs me from ten to fifteen dollars extra, as ~~and~~ I am required to go west by the Union Pacific.

Hoping that the statements will reach me promptly and not require my coming by St. Paul, I remain

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 1, 1901.

Rev. Josiah McClain,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Mr. McClain:

I enclose you to-day my reply to the College Trustees with referency to the Presidency.

I am very sorry that I could not be present at their meeting on the 4th, as a conference is so much more satisfactory than letter correspondence. You will remember the action of the Board of Trustees at the meeting in November last, concerning myself, in which it was considered that final action would need to be taken by the Presbytery.

I noticed yesterday, in one of the church papers, that the Presbytery meets on the 4th. Permit me again to call your attention to the suggestion which I made in my letter to you November 21, 1900:

"When the matter comes before the Presbytery, if the Presbytery takes action in a form similar to that of the trustees, permit me to ask that in the third "Whereas", the three words "and may never" should be left out. They do not add anything to the strength of the paper; they may or may not be true, - that depends upon the future; it weakens the paper to make a supposition based on the future of that kind. And then, there is an unpleasant sting in it. And again, it is not true that it appears thus to all parties concerned, for I still firmly believe that it will in the future be worht the sum mentioned. With those words left out it makes good sense, and is reasonable. It will then read as follows: "Will not within a reasonable time be worth the sum in question"."

My present plans are to reach Salt Lake City on Saturday the 20th, and leave on Monday the 22nd for Seattle. I will be pleased to meet the Trustees on Saturday evening, the 20th.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 1, 1901.

Rev. R. G. McNiece,D.D.,
#1248 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Doctor:

I have written an official letter to the Trustees declining the Presidency of the College. This step is taken with much regret on my part as I know that I would enjoy the work of looking after the College, but I am so situated that I could not give my whole time to the College at present. I think the President should have some knowledge of the "Mormon question", some reputation before the church, and some skill in collecting money. General Eaton has these requirements in a special degree but he is feeble, and the appearances point to the time when he will soon have to give up active work. I do not know where to turn for his successor.

Dr. Wishard has the three requirements, also yourself and Dr. D. J. McMillan. There are other members of your Presbytery in Utah that also have them to a lesser extent. The fact that Dr. McMillan served as Secretary of the Home Board has given him unusual knowledge of the givers of the country. I do not know whether he would make a good President and financial agent or not, what I know of him is favorable.

I wish you would think and pray over the matter and confer with such parties as you think best, so that when I meet you on the 20th we may be able to confer more intelligently concerning the situation.

I would throw out another suggestion for your consideration until we meet. As it does not seem probable that we will be able to build this spring I am inclined to consider favorably the closing of the college classes for the college year 1901-02, then retain yourself and Mr. Sweazy in your Professorships but instead of teaching College classes have you scour the country for money.

Our first building will have to come not from a large gift from somebody, but from the collection of many small gifts which can be picked up in the churches. I know that if you could follow me throug the Erie Presbytery, calling on individuals and holding personal interviews, that there is no reason why you should not receive from Ten to Twelve Thousand Doallars in that Presbytery, and perhaps double that amount, and thus all through Pennsylvania, and New York and I think Ohio, you could canvass the churches and during the year secure the entire amount for the first building. The interest thus created in the churches would not only raise the money for the first building but it would create such an interest that it would be very easy to get annual pledges in small sums which would enable us to pay the faculty.

The salaries of yourself and Mr. Sweazy could largely be paid from the Gunton-Temple Fund. I throw it out for consideration when we have an opportunity to confer.

I have been invited to address the Presbytery of Erie at their annual spring meeting, April 9th. I have written to Dr. Van Clieve, Stated Clerk of the Erie Presbytery, telling him that I shall try to influence the Presbytery to appoint a ~~meeting~~ Committee to foreward the work of collecting funds for the College Building in that Presbyetry as a portion of their Twentieth Century Fund. The Lord Raise up friends in this, our hour of need!

At the meeting of the Presbytery on the 4th if this reaches you in time, I hope that Presbytery will place the action of the Board of Trustees, with regard to my contribution, in the shape given by the Board of Trustees with the omission in the 3rd "Whereas" of the three words "and may never". I have written on the subject to Brother McClain.

With kind regards to Mrs. McNiece, an account of whose trip among the Women's Missionary Societies I read yesterday with interest, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 1, 1901.

Mr. William A. Kjellmann,

Mount Horeb, Wisconsin.

My dear Mr. Kjellmann:

Yours of the 28th, enclosing check for $1,000.°°, is received. I notice what you say about not paying anything on the route, N°78,110 I hope to be able to find time to go to the Postoffice Department, and see why there is a delay in this matter. I now expect to be in Chicago somewhere between the 16th and 18th. If it is settled that p you are to be in the hospital at that time let me know and I will call on you.

I expect to have to go to the hospital myself upon my return from Alaska in the fall.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

April 2, 1901.

Mr. Thomas Cochran,

Endicott Building,

St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Friend:

I find that your note has run out, and enclose it to you for renewal. Kindly renew and mail to me in Washington as unless it is absolutely necessary, I do not wish to stop at St. Paul on my way West, but hope to do so in the fall upon my return East. When are the Minnesota taxes due?

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclosure

$2800.00 St Paul Minn November 2nd 1896

On or before one year after date, I promise to pay to the order of Rev Sheldon Jackson Twenty Eight hundred and 00/100 dollars at St Paul Minn value received with interest before and after maturity at the rate of six per cent per annum until paid

(Signed) Thos Cochran

Copy

April 2, 1901.

Rev. George M. Hickman, D. D.,

Bradford, Pennsylvania.

My dear Brother:

In response to your letter: I will leave Washington on Tuesday night at 7:45, P. M., which ought to bring me to Bradford about 8:45 A. M., of the morning of the 10th. I am not particular about making an address at the popular meeting in the evening, if I can secure a hearing before the Presbytery during the day, as I am anxious that the Presbytery, if it meets with their judgment, should endorse the appeal of the Presbyterian College in Utah, in some way, to the churches of the Presbytery, and if my only opportunity of bringing the matter before them was at the popular meeting in the evening, and they should adjourn that night, there would be no suitable opportunity for Presbyterial action. I will be very glad to confer upon the subject with yourself and Doctor VanCleive when I arrive.

With kind regards to your wife and Helen, I remain,

Truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 2, 1901.

Miss Anne Buck,
Indian Training School,
Carlyle, Pennsylvania.

My dear Friend:

Your letter of March 31st is received, and I sympathize very deeply with you in the loss of so many of your friends by death. If you had been in Alaska last summer probably you would have died too, for half the people at Port Clarence died.

Rev. and Mrs. Brevig have a house-full of boys and girls whose parents are dead, and they are going to take care of them and teach them until they grow up and are able to help themselves. It is very natural that you should want to go back and see your brother, but it is a great deal better that you stay your five years at Carl~~yle~~isle and try hard to learn to study and work so that when you go back you can be a missionary to your people, and help Mr. and Mrs. Brevig in teaching and taking care of your people.

The Lord has spared your life and given you these opportunities of learning, so that you can, when you do go back, help your people; to this end you should be very diligent in your studies, and in learning to work.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 2, 1901.

Rev. William L. Ledwith, D. D.,
Presbyterian Historical Society,
#1319 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Yours of April 1st is received. The donators of the pamphlets that I sent you were Miss Eva Eaton and her sister of Fairfield, Pennsylvania.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 2, 1901.

Miss Eva Eaton,

Fairfield, Pennsylvania.

Dear Friend:

I send you the acknowledgement of the "Historical Society" of the pamphlets which you so kindly sent them from your Uncle's library. I have notified the Society that the pamphlets are from yourself and sister.

Hoping that your mother and sister are in usual health, and with very kind regards to them, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

Enclosure

April 3, 1901.

Captain W. F. Kilgore, R.C.S.,
#161 Twenty-third Street,
Portland, Oregon.

My dear Captain Kilgore:

I have been unable to see President McKinley concerning the appointment of your son to Annapolis. Immediately at the adjournment of Congress he was besieged by Congressmen trying to secure appointments for friends and constituents in the new army and other places, and a civilian had no chance of getting near him.

After the first rush was over I had hoped to interest Senator Fairbanks, who is a Methodist, and get him to go with me to the President, but I am informed that the Senator has left the city. I see no opportunity now of doing anything before the Senators return next December, and consequently return the papers to you for safe keeping.

If, during the summer, you meet with some Congressman making a pleasure trip to Alaska, try to interest him in the matter as Congressmen have always an open door to the President and are the ones, before all others, whom he expects to ask for appointments.

If you have no other and better person, in the fall you can return the papers to me and I will try to see some Senator in behalf of your son.

I saw Captain Shoemaker to-day, with reference to his going into the Cutter Service, but the Captain has informed me that he had written you fully on the subject, and that it is more difficult to get into the Cutter Service than into the naval.

Regretting that I have nothing more encouraging to write, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 3, 1901.

Rev. R. G. McNiece, D.D.,
#1248 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Sir:

To-day ~~or to-morrow~~ the Bureau of Education will mail you ~~twelve~~ eleven mail-sacks of school reports. There are many duplicates among them, but they will all be valuable When we get a Library Building so that our treasures can be assorted the duplicate copies will be very valuable for exchanging for other reports that we may not have, as in the course of a few years the state reports get out of print and new libraries starting are very anxious to get hold of them.

Bound volumes we will send in boxes and whenever you get one of these boxes with the imprint of the Bureau of Education upon it, it need not be opened until the College has shelves for holding the contents. They are more easily kept packed than unpacked in your damp climate and should not gather any moisture in the boxes.

I am sorry to send this to you when you are so crowded for room, but the only sure way to get them is to take them when the Bureau wants to get them out of the way.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

There will be a number more sent in the next few days.

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April 3, 1901.

Rev. A. W. Halsey, D. D.,
Secretary, Board of Foreign Missions,
P. O. Box #2, Madison Square Branch,
New York City, New City.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the first, with regard to Rev. E. O. Campbell, is received and I will write to him at once. Much Obliged.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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April 3, 1901.

Rev. E. O. Campbell,
#2216 Ellsworth Street,
Berkeley, California.

Dear Sir:

The Rev. Dr. Halsey, Secretary, Board of Foreign Missions, has kindly sent me your name and address as one that desires to go, as a medical missionary, [redacted], He says that it is not yet certain whether the Foreign Board will be able to send you or not, and he gives me permission to procure you for Alaska, provided the Lord helps you to see it [redacted] your duty to go.

I have been looking for two years for a medical missionary for St. Lawrence Island, to take up the work of Mr. V. C. Gambell and wife who made a good beginning at that place; came home for a winter's rest, and upon their return were drowned at sea in the foundering of their vessel. St. Lawrence Island is the largest island in Bering Sea and south of Bering Straits. On the extreme North-western corner is a village of Eskimo, numbering about 300 people. I send you a printed report of Rev. William Doty, who spent the winter of 1898-99 at that place. This will give you a full account of the condition of the people.

There will be no other mission or white families on the island except those connected with the Mission. We have placed a herd of tame reindeer on the island, and your only associates will probably be two families of Laplanders or Norwegians in charge of the herd under the direction of the missionary. The field, for a heathen one, is attractive. As soon as you get command of the language I think you will find the people readily turning to the Gospel. That has been the case in other of our Eskimo missions. At any rate you will find a people needing the Gospel and needing a physician.

At present there is a Doctor Lerrigo in charge ~~for this year~~, but he wishes to go, this coming summer, to Central America and remains this present year, simply because I had no one to put in his place. Your duties will be varied of course; attending the sick, witness-bearing for Christ, and teaching the children in school.

The salary will be $1,200.°° a year and house rent. The place is isolated from the world, and usually the only ships to call are a United States Revenue Cutter, and two or three whalers en route to the Arctic. The latter frequently bring liquors and make trouble, but the only communication with the world that you can count on is the call of the Revenue Cutter on its way north in June, and its return south in September. Consequently, you will get but one or two mails in the year. But this very isolation from the world gives the missionary greater control over the people, and enables him, by the blessing of God, to bring them out of barabrism into Christian civilization, and mould them according to his own views of what is best.

There is a comfortable missionary residence of three rooms and a good sized school house that is also used as a church; also a store house for provisions. It is probable that whoever goes will be required to start in May or June, consequently there is very little time for preparation, and I am only sorry that I could not have heard of you before.

I have been inquiring in various directions through the volunteer student organization and medical missionary schools, and making it a matter of daily prayer that I should be guided to the right man.

If this impresses you favorably telegraph me, C/o United States Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., for if you decline I will have to pick up somebody without a knowledge of medicine, and whoever goes needs to know it at once.

It has been a strange experience to one who had been le~~a~~d to feel that there were hundreds of volunteer students waiting for an opportunity to go on a mission for the Master, and yet, when I have wanted a man or two for Alaska, have been unable to find those that were willing to go. For Asia, Africa, and the Islands of the Sea, many more are applying than can be sent, but when the appeal is made for Alaska none are ready to go, and yet, the Savior died for them as well as for others, and commands his servants to bring them the Gospel tidings. The Holy Spirit works as efficiently among them as among others.

Indeed, I know no field where the same amount of labor~~ers~~ has brought forth the same amount of fruit,as among tha native races of Alaska.

Praying that you may be lead to see your way clear to go, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 4, 1901.

Hon. John G. Brady,

Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Governor:

Some of the Presbyterians at Philadelphia, the year that I was Moderator of the General Assembly, persuaded me to have a life-mask taken. The sculptor, Mr. Dalder, recently took advantage of my being at the hospital in Philadelphia to get a number of sittings. He will soon complete the model in clay and will be ready for the casting in bronze. The bust in bronze is being made for the Presbyterian College in Salt Lake City. There is an effort being made among a few Presbyterians in Philadelphia to have a second casting made for the Presbyterian Historical Society in that city, and I thought that possibly you might want a copy for the Territorial Library.

The original cost is $500.00, but any number of castings can be taken, which are the exact counter-part of the original for $135.00 each.

If it should be deemed best to order one for Alaska at that price, you can send the order to Alexander Stirling Calder, #337 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Lesley had expected to sail on the Cottage City from Seattle on the 25th but there is a delay in repairs to the Bear, and consequently she may not go until the ~~[illegible]~~ following steamer. Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 4, 1901.

Mr. Alexander Stirling Calder,

#337 South Broad Street,

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Yours is received, and I now expect to be in Philadelphia as you request on Saturday morning April 6 - will probably come over ~~[illegible]~~ Friday night.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

April 4, 1901.

Mrs. D. F. Diefendorfer,
#415 Chestnut Street
Erie, pennsylvania.

My dear Friend:

Yours of April 3rd is received. I hope that Miss Emerson has written to Dr. Van Cleive asking his cooperation. Dr. D. K. Pierson was interviewed in 1897. At that time he stated positively that he would give no help to college work in Utah, unless the proposed Presbyterian and Congregational colleges united their forces in one institution. Notwithstanding that positive assertion, a few months afterward he offered the proposed Congregational College $50,000.°° if they would raise $100,000.°°. The President of their institution (it was only an academy) went to New England and tried to raise the money, and failed so completely that they gave up all their plans for a college and turned their academic property into a normal school, for training teachers.

In the list published in the Assembly's Herald you will notice that nearly all Mr. Pierson's benefactions have been to out-and-out Congregational Colleges: on account of personal friendships he made an exception, and did help the Presbyterian College or University at Lake Forest, Illinois.

Rev. Mr. Bailey raised about $600.°° in Pittsburg. After ascerthinking that the Board of Home Missions had received no money from Doctor Jones for the college, I wrote Doctor Jones asking for information of what had become of the collection that was taken up for the college, but have not received a word from him. I suppose that my letter must have miscarried or not reached him.

I hope that you and Mrs. Emerson may be able to meet me at Bradford. I have carefully gone over the new building and found out the relative cost of each room, and have made the enclosed table so x that it can be said to any church or individual, that if they will contribute say $500.00, which is the cost of a dormitory room, that they can put upon the door to that room the name of a church or individual, or any other name that they may choose.

You will notice that the sums range from $500.00 up to $3,000.00, but there are some twenty rooms that cost Five and Six Hundred Dollars each, which is within the reach of many well-to-do churches.

With kind regards to your household, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 5, 1901.

Rev. G. M. Hickman,
#28 Jackson Avenue,
Bradford, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Hickman:

Yours of the 3rd is received, and D. V., you may expect me Wednesday morning ready for duty both day and evening. I mail you the Alaska map to save the trouble of carrying it by hand.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclosure

April 5, 1901.

Rev. R. G. McNiece, D. D.,
#1348 Elaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Doctor McNiece:

I remembered you the Presbytery, and Trustees yesterday constantly in prayer, and I trust that God's Spirit was present guiding and shaping your deliberations and acts.

I saw your recent letter to General Eaton, concerning the compelling of an accounting by the late Financial Agent, and agree with your views that under the circumstances it will not be expedient. It would greatly add to the expenses of the College, and I think, prove barren of any practical results.

I have some things to say to you on the subject, when I meet you, that I do not care to put on paper. I hope however that nothing further will be done in the matter of going into the courts.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

The Bureau has this afternoon mailed the College 2 boxes of bound books. There will be other boxes mailed next week.

April 5, 1901.

Mr. G. A. Shallenberger,
Superintendent of Reform School,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

Please accept thanks for your kind invitation to attend the dedication of your new Church Building. I was so situated, however, that I could not attend. I was glad to notice in the city papers the pleasant time that you had upon that occasion.

With very kind remembrances to your family and associates, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 5. 1901.

Rev. J. McElmoyle,

Elkton, Maryland.

My dear Brother:

Yours of April 4th, with two receipts from Misses Martha Finley and Mary White, is received. Please express to them my thanks for donating the $300.^{00} to the Presbyterian College in Salt Lake City, without limitations.

I will send them a package of Mormon literature in a day or two.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

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Mr. George B. [illegible]

#618 Sixth Avenue,

Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Many congratulations on your marriage, March 11th. If I have time as I pass through Seattle, it will give me great pleasure to call on you.

With many well wishes for yourself and wife in your new relation, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

April 5, 1901.

Mr. William A. Kjellmann,

Mount Horeb, Wisconsin.

My dear Sir:

Yours of April 3rd is received, with regard to the stolen check of Nils Klemetsen. You write that we must "get a duplicate check from Captain Walker, as the bank of Tacoma holds the money subject to Captain Walker's order."

Have they got hold of the stolen check? The check itself was drawn on the First National Bank of Portland. Did you mean Portland when you wrote Tacoma? Was the check ever cashed? Is it known what has become of it? I will do what I can to secure Nils Klemetsen. Give me all the information that you have about the check.

With regard to the moneys paid for the postal service between Eaton and Nome, and St. Michael, Eaton, and Kotzebue. Do you consider the money due to you personally, or to you as agent of the reindeer station? My own understanding was that after all expenses were paid the balance was to be used for the benefit of the Reindeer Service. If the balance belongs to the Reindeer Fund it would enable us to pay the money which you advanced to Mr. Redmyer, and probably other sums that the Reindeer Service may be owing, but which cannot be paid from the Treasury for want of vouchers, etc.

There is now a prospect that I will not start on the 17th, as I had expected. I may not be in Chicago until several days later, but will try to keep you informed of my movements.

With kind regards to Mrs. Kjellmann, I am,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 8, 1901.

Rev. R. G. McNeice, D.D.,
#1248 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Doctor:

The repairs of the BEAR will delay her departure so that I will not reach Salt Lake City, on the 20th, as I had expected, but I will probably be along the following week, and when I know what day I can reach you I will telegraph.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 8, 1901.

Mrs. D. F. Diefenderfer,
#415 Chestnut Street,
Erie, Pennsylvania.

My dear Friend:

It is so important that you should be at Presbytery,at Bradford on Wednesday, to confer with regard to the best method of raising the fund for the College Building and the selection of the best committee in your Presbytery, that I have taken the liberty of telegraphing you to meet me there.

I understand that the Presbytery may adjourn Wednesday night, so that we ought to have a conference Wednesday morning.

There is no person in the Presbytery that has so intimate a knowledge of the givers,and the means of reaching the givers, as yourself. Consequently it is of the utmost importance that you should be present.

With kind regards to your husband and family, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 8, 1901.

Rev. Edward Marsden,
Saxman, Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Your postal of March 27th, is received, and I am glad to hear that sickness is abating at Saxman. I hope you will receive some assistance from the churches of Portland, and Puget. I am glad to hear that the new mill is doing so well.

My family would send kind remembrances if they knew I was writing Mrs. Freeman called the other day, and wished to be remembered when next I wrote. I hope to start for Western Alaska about May 1st.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 8, 1901.

Rev. S. Hall Young,
Care Home Missions,
156 Fifth Ave., New York City.

Dear Brother:

I have jyst received a letter from Mr. Kirk dated March 12, in which he asks to know just when you and Dr. Marsh will sail from Seattle in order to meet you at St. Michael for Presbytery. He very properly does not wish to spend the whole summer going to and returning from Presbytery. if you can indicate a time when you and Dr. Marsh will probably be at St. Michael write him in order that he may arrange his plans accordingly.

I expect to leave Seattle about May first, but your plans at St. Michael should be made without reference to mine, because I may or may not be able to be with you at that place.

With kind regards to your family, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 8, 1901.

Rev. James W. Kirk,

Eagle, Alaska.

My dear Brother:

Yours of march 12th is received. I have written Dr. Young to let you know when he and Dr. Marsh could be at St. Michael. Dr. Marsh I know is expected to be at the General Assembly in Philadelphia on the 21st of May. He will probably sail from Seattle about June first. I do not know Dr. Young's plans, but have written him to write you himself.

I expect to sail about May first but will go around by Kamchatka. Kind regards to Mrs Kirk

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 8, 1901.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company,
Ocean Wharf, Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sirs:

I wrote you a few days ago to reserve a state-room for my daughter, Miss Elizabeth L. Jackson, from Seattle to Sitka, on the Cottage City, sailing April 25th. I now find that she will not be able to reach Seattle in time for that sailing and I would ask you to reserve her a berth for the next trip of the Cottage City. I have not the date but presume it will be about May 10th.

Very truly yours,
Sheldon Jackson
U. S. General Agent, &c.

Kindly let me know the date of sailings for Sitka during May

April 9, 1901.

Hon. John G. Brady,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Governor:

A few days ago I sent you notice that Mr. A. Sterling Calder, a scupltor in Philadelphia, was about finishing a bust of myself (head and shoulders), after which it will be ready for a bronze casting. Duplicate castings, in bronze, can be had for the very cheap sum of $135.°°. At the time of writing I thought possibly you would be disposed to get it for the Territorial Library out of funds you have at your disposal.

Since then it has occurred to me that it would be better for Miss Patton to write to the teachers of Southern and South-eastern Alaska, and see if they would not like to "chip in" from $8.°° to $10.°° apiece, and present the bust to the Territorial Library as a donation from the teachers of Southern and South-eastern Alaska. As, in the good providence of God, I have been the founder of the public schools in that country, such donation would be very appropriate, and to the teachers that have been some time in the country the sum needed would be very moderate.

At the same time I hope she will impress it upon them, if you and she think it best to make the effort, that there is no compulsion about it, and only free-will offerings are desired. I will send

Miss Patton a list of the teachers at the present time, with a supplementary list of a few of the ex-teachers that are within her reach.

The repairs on the Bear are being delayed so that Elizabeth will not come on the Cottage City, leaving Seattle, April 25th, but will probably be on the next vessel, which, I suppose, leaves somewhere in the neighborhood of May 10th.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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April 9, 1901.

Mrs. Anne Coogalore,
Downington, Pennsylvania.
C/o Mrs. E. D. Edge.

My dear Friend:

Yours of April 7th, enclosing letter to Mrs. Brevig, is received and it will give me pleasure to take your letter to Mrs. Brevig, and tell her about you. I will also take your letter to me, so that she can tell your friends how well you are doing. I am glad that you have Kookiglook with you, as she will be company. I expect to leave Washington in about two weeks, but will not get up to Port Clarence, until about the first of July.

My daughter sent you two girls each, a copy of my photograph. Did you receive it? Remember me very kindly to Mrs Edge, and tell her that I thank her for all her kindness to you girls.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 9, 1901.

Miss Anne Kookiglook,
Downingtown, Pennsylvania.
C/o Mrs. E. D. Edge.

My dear Friend:

I am very glad to get your letter of April 7th, and will take it with me to show Mr. and Mrs. Brevig so that they can tell your friends about you. I am very glad to hear that you are getting better. It is healthy out in the country and a good place for girls that are not well. I enquired for you at Carlyle and would have been glad to have seen you, but am very glad that you are out in the country where you can get well.

When you get well you can study hard and learn more and more about God and his Son Jesus Christ, so that when you go home to your people you can tell them all about him. Mr. and Mrs. Brevig, and your people will all be glad to see you and the other girls when you go home.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Washington D.C.
April 9th 1907

Dear Dr McNiece

The Bureau of Education Mails this afternoon 4 boxes and 3 sacks of School reports etc to the College Library

Truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson

April 12, 1901.

Rev. George F. McAfee,
Home Missions, 156 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

My dear Mr. McAfee:

I have received this morning letters from Governor Brady and Mr. Gamble of the Industrial School to the effect that Mr. Kelly took sick in February last; that he was able to be about until March 21st, when he placed himself under the care of Dr. Wilbur; and on the 27th consented to be taken to the hospital, as the Doctor pronounced his case as typhoid fever. Miss Gibson, the nurse, said that on April first he was so bad they could not leave him one moment, as he is delirious and that his heart was beginning to fail. Doctor Wilbur, however, thinks there is a ~~probability~~ possibility at least of his getting well, although he is a very sick man. They have promised to write me by every steamer.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 12, 1901.

Mr. John E. Gamble,
Industrial School,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Gamble:

I thank you very much for information concerning Mr. Kelly. I have also received a letter from Governor Brady on the same matter. We shall feel very anxious until we know that Mr. Brady is out of danger. Praying that the Lord will spare him to us, I remain

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson
U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 12, 1901.

Mr. John G. Heid,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Yours of March 30th enclosing a copy of the Record is received. Please accept thanks for your interest in the matter.

I am very sorry to hear by this mail from Governor Brady of the severe illness of Mr. Kelly. I hope his life may be spared to a continuance of the great work which he has been doing in Alaska.

With kind regards to Mrs. Heid, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

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April 12, 1901.

Mr. Charles A. Hopp,
Editor of the "News",
Douglas, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

I wish to thank you for publishing in the "News" of March 27th the correspondence concerning the usefulness of the reindeer. The more the general public become acquainted with the usefulness of the reindeer in the arctic and sub-arctic regions of Alaska the sooner will the prejudice which many have taken without knowledge disappear.

Again thanking you for your kindness in publishing the letters, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 13, 1901.

Mr. [illegible] M. Irwin,

Editor of the Record-Miner,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The "Miner" for March 28th has been received. I want to thank you for publishing the letters concerning the rescue of two detachments of U. S. Infantry by means of reindeer transportation. There has been much prejudice against the reindeer from ignorance on the part of the public. But this in course of time will disappear as the value of the reindeer becomes more and more apparent in the arctic and sub-arctic regions of Alaska.

I am very glad to see that you are making a clean paper of the Record-Miner.

Wishing you a growing subscription I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 12, 1901.

Mr. D. A. Denison,
Office of the "Era",
Bradford, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I send you to-day the last published reindeer report; also an educational report; also the Commissioner's Report; also a statement made up by us to hand persons who inquire whether the reindeer are all dead. I hope you may find some interesting reading in these documents.

Thanking you for your good report in the paper of the 11th instant, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 12, 1901.

Arthur W. Milbury,
45 & 47 Wall Street,
New York City, New York.

Dear Sir:

Yours of March 19th, addressed to me at Sitka has been returned to my Office in Washington. We have no Teachers' Association in Alaska, owing to the great distances between teachers and the infrequency of steamers. It gives me pleasure to send you the printed reports on schools and reindeer in that country.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclosure

April 12, 1901.

Professor A. C. Nelson,
State Superintendent, Public Instruction,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Sir:

Yours of March 14th, addressed to me at Sitka, has been returned to my Office at Washington. We have no prescribed course of study in Alaska owing to the fact that the large majority are native children unacquainted with English, and are in the primary stage.

It gives me pleasure to mail you a copy of our rules and regulations, and also of the last printed report.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclosure.

April 12, 1901.

Captain Francis Tuttle, R. C. S.,
Commanding Revenue Cutter "BEAR",
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Captain:

Yours of April 4th is received and I thank you for your courtesy in your willingness to receive Mr. Cheever on board. I think the delay in the repairs of the steamer are providential as I had much unfinished work before me. I agree with you in thinking that it is of no use to load up our deer at Baroness Korfg Bay until the ice is out of the way between that Bay and St. Lawrence Island. However, in doing your figuring, I hope that you will allow at least two weeks for Baroness Korfg Bay. It is a safe harbor for all steamers and the probabilities are that the deer will be back from the sea-coast, but they may be right on the shore.

Trusting that Mrs. Tuttle is recovering from her accident. I remain,

very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 12, 1902.

Miss Cassia Patton,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Friend:

Your letter of congratulations is received. Mr. Hamilton wants you to include in your annual report of your school some account of ~~yo~~ your "fairs," as it will interest other teachers, and perhaps encourage other schools to adopt the same system.

I wrote you a few days ago to send on your salary vouchers if you wish any money to go to that summer school.

I cannot tell how sad we feel over the news of Mr. Kellys severe illness.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 12, 1901.

Hon. John G. Brady,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Governor:

Yours of April 1st is received and we all feel very deeply Mr. Kelly's severe illness. I sincerely trust that the Lord will spare him to us yet a while, for I do not know where I could turn to find another to take his place that would be as efficient as he.

I hope that Mrs. Knapp and Mr. Patten have both recovered their health.

I notice what you say about Governor Swineford's trying to stir up trouble between Mr. Duncan and the Missionaries. As it takes two to make a quarrel if the Missionaries determine that they will not be drawn into it, why the trouble will not amount to very much. While differing with Mr. Duncan as to his methods and plans, yet you and I can recognize the work he has done in the past and can love him as a Christian brother.

I think I have already written you that Leslie will probably be on the "Cottage City" that leaves Seattle on May

10th. We had secured a berth for her for April 25th but there is a delay in the starting of the BEAR, consequently I will not go across in time for the 25th.

Remember me very kindly to the family, and I want to thank the friends for the attention that I know they will give Mr. Kelly.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 12, 1901.

Prof. Otto H. Tittmann,

Supt. Coast & Geodetic Survey,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Please accept the thanks of this Office for three copies of the Chart on Norton Sound.

If our Reindeer Stations in that section of the country can help at any time your parties in the field, I hopethey will call upon them.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 13, 1901.

Rev. J. W. Smith,

Warren, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

It gives me pleasure to enclose to you letters of introduction that will assist you in seeing the Missions in Alaska. I also send you, under separate enclosure, a Map and Reports.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

2 Enclosures.

April 13, 1901.

Hon. John G. Brady,
Governor of Alaska,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Brother:

It gives me great pleasure to introduce to you the Rev. J. W. Smith of Warren, Pennsylvania, who is proposing to visit Alaska and wishes to see as much of the mission work as is possible in the limited time he will have.

As Mr. Smith is Pastor in the Presbytery from which you got your wife I know that you will afford him every facility in your power to see things at Sitka.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 13, 1901.

To the Presbyterians of Alaska:-

Dear Brethren:

It gives me pleasure to introduce to you the Rev. J. W. Smith, a Pastor of the Presbytery of Erie, Synod of Pennsylvania. A part of Mr. Smith's trip is to see as much as possible of the mission work in Alaska. Kindly assist him when visiting your locality.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent of Education in
Alaska.

April 13, 1901.

Rev. James W. Kirk,

Eagle, Alaska.

Dear Brother:

I have just had a letter from Dr. Marsh of Point Barrow. He expects to sail from Seattle on June 20th, via Nome to St. Michael. I presume that Dr. Young will sail about the same time.

I have recently received a letter from the Rev. John Fulton of Finlay, Ohio, informing me that he would probably be sent to the mission at Teller, Port Clarence. I presume that Dr. Young will notify him about the Presbytery at St. Michael.

With kind regards to Mrs. Kirk, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 13, 1901.

Miss Alice W. Craighead,

San Francisco, Cal.

My dear Miss Craighead:

I was very glad to get your letter from San Diego and hear of the well-being of your mother and yourself. I trust that the sojourn on the Pacific Coast will do you both a great deal of good.

I enclose you some letters of introduction wjich I trust will be of assistance, and also send you an Alaskan Map. My daughter Leslie expects to spend the summer as the guest of Governor Brady at Sitka. I hope you will visit Alaska without fail; certainly your time cannot be occupied so much with business that you will not be able to take time for the trip, and you will find it one of the pleasantest trips of your whole life.

With kind regards to your mother, I remain

Yours very truly,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

3 Enclosures.

April 13, 1901.

Hon. John G. Brady,

Governor of Alaska,

Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

It affords me great pleasure to introduce to you Mrs. J. G. Craighead and her daughter Miss Craighead. I think that possibly you have met them at the Concord in Washington. Their father was years ago one of the Editors and owners of the New York Evangelist. The family were some for years our nearest neighbors in the Concord. I have urged them to make the trip to Alaska. Any courtesies you or your family may extend to them will be appreciated, and reciprocated by me when opportunity offers.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent of Education in Alaska.

April 13, 1901.

To the Presbyterians of
    Southeast Alaska,

Dear Brethren:

It affords me great pleasure to commend to your courtesy Mrs. and Miss Craighead, who are old-time friends of mine, and who have been prominent in the mission work of our Presbyterian Church. Any facilities that you can extend to them they will appreciate and will be reciprocated by me when the occasion offers.

Very truly yours,
Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

April 13, 1901.

Rev. R. G. McNiece, D.D.,
Rev. Josiah McClain, and
Other Presbyterian Friends,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Friends:-

It affords me much pleasure to commend to you Mrs. and Miss Craighead, who have been for many years active in the mission work of the Presbyterian Church. In crossing the Continent they will stop at Salt Lake City, hoping to learn more of the work of the Collegiate Institute and of the College. Any facilities or courtesies you may extend to them will be appreciated and reciprocated by me when the opportunity offers.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent of Education in
Alaska.

April [illegible], 190[illegible].

Northwestern Investment Co.,

Endicott Building,

St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

In reply to yours of April 6th, ~~we~~ I return you sheets marked "A", "B", "C", "D" and "E", and also return the orders signed by Mrs. [illegible] for * Mr. Cochran to act for her as agent in buying up delinquent taxes on * her property. In a few days I will send you a list of property [illegible] through your company with the request that you procure the taxes upon the same and know the amount of taxes due [illegible] in order that we may send you the money to meet them.

Hereafter it will be much better for you to send a check for the balance due us on each quarterly statement and then call upon us for money for taxes etc. whenever the business requires it. The [illegible] note of Mr. [illegible] for $3542.00 is received with thanks.

In the [illegible] property I notice that no rent is credited on the [illegible] from January 1st to April 1st, 1901.

Also in the statement of December 18th, 1900, you have placed the [illegible] interest in the debit column when it should be [illegible] o the credit of Mrs. Jackson.

Reciprocating your good wishes for a pleasant trip, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

April 15, 1901.

Rev. Robert S. Van Cleve, D.D.,
Erie, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find receipt for $25.00, paid by you as Treasurer of the Presbytery. I thank you very much for your kindness and thoughtfulness in meeting the expenses of the trip.

With kind rememberances to the household, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

April 15, 1901.

Received from Rev. R. S. Van Cleve, Treasurer of the Erie Presbytery, the sum of Twenty-five (25) Dollars, being payment of my expense to and from Presbytery. April 9th to 11th

Sheldon Jackson

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April 15, 1901.

Rev. George M. Hickman,

Bradford, Pennsylvania.

My dear Brother:

Yours containing check for $25.°° for traveling expenses is safely received, and I have sent a receipt to Dr. Van Cleve for the same. Much obliged to you for your thoughtfulness in securing it.

I mail you to-day a map which contains the location of the various Mission Stations of the different churches in Alaska, and will also, in a day or two, send you some Mission Reports for your library; also send reports to-day to Alice.

With kind regards to your wife and daughter, I remain,

Truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

April 15, 1901.

Rev. George Bailey,

Salt Lake City, Utah.

Reverend and dear Brother:

A letter just received from Dr. McNiece brings the news of your election as President and Financial Agent of Sheldon Jackson College. As an absent trustee of the same, I hasten to extend to you my hearty cooperation in the work of placing this institution upon a firm foundation; and hope to have the strength annually to devote some time to the interests of the institution.

While not having had the privilege of knowing you intimately, yet I have such confidence in the bretheren that have been working beside you, and, that, by their votes, have unitedly called you to take charge, that I feel the utmost confidence in your wisdom, and tact, in the matter, and shall unite my prayers with yours for divine guidance and blessing.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

April 15, 1901.

Rev. R. G. McNiece, D.D.,
#1248 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Doctor:

Yours of the 9th is received, and I am much obliged to you for information concerning the election of Mr. Bailey. I have written him a note offering full assistance and cooperation in his work. On Saturday the Bureau mailed you an additional sack of reports over and above what I had reported. This after-noon we mail the College 4 additional sacks. It is house-cleaning time at the Bureau and I am fortunate to be here to secure these duplicate reports for the College

I have just had a letter from the Captain of the Revenue Cutter who thinks that he will possibly be ready to start about the 5th of May; if so I will be in Salt Lake City somewhere about the first.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Money received from Dr. Sheldon Jackson for Payment of Employes & other Expenses at Eaton Reindeer Station, August 10, 1899.

War Department Checks.

John Andersen -------	$156.34
Ole Rapp ------------	156.34
Lauritz Stefansen ---	156.34
Samuel Balto --------	187.60
Peder Johannesen ----	156.34
Alfred Nilina -------	156.34
Ole Berg ------------	156.34
John Johannesen -----	156.34
J. A. Rauna ---------	156.34
Samuel Josefsen -----	156.34
Otto Greiner --------	156.34
Bereth Eira ---------	31.24
Ole Krogh -----------	156.34
Ole Olsen -----------	156.34
Karl O. Suhr --------	202.62
Iver Vest -----------	156.34
Hans Sacariansen ----	156.34
Hilmar Hansen -------	156.34
Jeremias Abrahamsen--	156.34
Nils Klemetsen ------	156.34
Wm. Basi ------------	156.34
Rolf Wiig -----------	156.34
Amund Hansen --------	156.34
Th. Kjelsberg -------	234.50
M. Kjelsberg --------	234.50
Ole Stensfjeld -------	156.34
Emil Kjelsberg ------	402.00
Lauritz Larsen ------	156.34
Peder Berg ----------	156.34
Regnor Dahl ---------	225.00
Anders Johnsen ------	156.34
J.P.Johannesen ------	142.34
O. Paulsen ----------	166.00
Isak Hatta ----------	156.34
	5734.30

Brought forward	$5734.30
Isak Nikkila --	156.34
Mathis Klemetsen--	156.34
Ole K.Hatta -----	156.34
Eaton Station bills against Johan S. Tornensis ----------	139.90
Ditto for M. J. Nikkila -------	183.66
	6526.88
Paid employes--	6071.83
	$ 455.05
Paid Dr.Jackson-	158.50
	296.55

June 30,1900-
Paid Dr.Jackson $296.55

Received and paid the above -

Money paid Employes - August 10, 1899
by Wm. A. Kjellmann.

Paid	
Samuel Balto	$112.20
John Andersen	120.79
Otto Greiner	176.92
Iver Vest	191.15
Ole Olsen	76.93
Hans Samuelsen	118.85
Anders Johnsen	98.96
J.S.Rauna	119.63
Ole Berg	128.47
Beret Eira	30.74
Ole Krogh	108.00
Karl O. Suhr	231.89
Karl Sacarisen	89.08
Rolf Wiig	80.20
M.Kjelsberg	191.05
Th.Kjelsberg	173.97
Ole Stensfjeld	97.99
Hilmar Hansen	83.75
Peder Johannesen	192.68
Samuel Josefsen	163.38
Wm. Basi	132.10
O. Paulsen	145.06
Ole Rapp	74.83
JeremiasAbrahamsen	384.79
Lauritz Stefansen	133.80
Nils Klemetsen	147.35
Alfred Nileina	163.31
Emil Kjelsberg	546.75
Amiund Hansen	177.69
Lauritz Larsen	165.47
Peder Berg	178.89
Regnor Dahl	190.42
Fredrik Larsen	175.00
J.P.Johannesen Stalorgo	136.69
Mathis Klemetsen Nillokka	184.66
Isak Hatta	154.95
Ole K. Hatta	181.80
J.M.Johannesen	11.78
Isak Nakkila	184.66
J. O. Pulk	22.33
	$6071.83

Paid to Dr. Jackson-1898:	
June- Excess of government freight to Eaton Reindeer Station	$ 59.80
Aug.1- Cash paid on order of J.R.Hatta on salary	17.00
Aug.28.-Cash to balance W.A.Kjellsman's account with the government	6.67
Aug.29.-Ditto balance on R. Dahl's account	9.35
Aug.30 - Express charges on $882 silver coin from Seattle to Eaton	18.00
July 29 - Cash paid on order of J.P.Stalagorgo	3.00
Ditto on order of O.J.Pulk	44.68
	158,50
June 30,1900,Paid by Dr.Jackson:	
Isak M.Tornensis.	$108.41
Per J.Hatta	111.66
Ole J.Pulk	89.47
	$299.54
Balance due Dr.Jackson	2.99
	$296.55

April 18, 1901.

Mrs. Samuel L. Beiler,
498 West Ferry Street,
Buffalo, New York.

My dear Mrs. Beiler:

Yours of the 15th instant is received. Miss Mellor returned the office letters yesterday and left the copies for you, which I mailed last evening. Kindly go over your accounts of the Jesse Lee Home and send me the dates and amounts so far as you can, of Miss Mann's payments in coal. I need the memorandum when I get to Unalaska, as Dr. & Mrs. Newell might pass me on the sea and not be there to furnish information, and Miss Mann may not have the information herself, or may be indisposed to give it; consequently I need to have as full memoranda as your accounts will show. Miss Mellor says that during her stay there she never knew anything or had any clue that the government furnished the teachers with coal. It is possible that some of the evil-disposed persons and gossips of the community have made the remark which led Miss Mann to think she was entitled to it; but all the same the amount will have to be refunded from her salary.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

March 18, 1901.

Mr. A. J. Standing,

Assistant Supt. Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Mr. Standing:

Permit me to congratulate you on your successful handling of the Commencement Exercises last week. I have heard a number of expressions of the interest which various visitors took in the exercises and the pleasure they received from them. It must have been a trying ordeal for you to take Colonel Pratt's place for the first time at those exercises but the long drill that you have had with him and the efficient service that you have rendered through all these years, were a guarantee that the Commencement would be a successful one. I have watched your course through all these years at Carlisle and have felt very thankful that God had raised up so faithful and loyal a friend to the Indians.

Hoping that you may be spared many years yet in your favorite work, I remain

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent of Education in Alaska.

Covington, La., April 12, 1901.

Dear Dr. Jackson:

As you see I am here in Louisiana on a visit home. I have been here about six weeks and do not expect to return to Titusville till first of May. Your letter of April 1st , also one from Mrs. Diefenderfer reached me yesterday. I am very sorry that it was impossible to meet you both in Bradford on the 1st, had I been in Pa. I would most surely have been there. I have written Mrs. D. that I will confer with her on my return. I think your suggestion of getting Presbytery to appoint a committee to assist in this "twentieth century fund" an excellent one. As soon as I go back I shall begin to work at it in earnest and I think we will be successful. I don't see why we can't be. My heart is deeply in it and I shall do all in my power to further it. I suppose you will soon be starting for Alaska. Be sure to see my brothers in Seattle - 415 Pacific Block - My husband is up there now on a business trip. My mother says she is so glad to hear again from you directly, and would be very happy to meet you and Mrs. Jackson again. Let me know if you have any further suggestions in regard to the college building.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) Lilian E. Emerson,

Care John L. Emerson.

April 20, 1901.

Mr. John E. Gamble,
Industrial School,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Friend:

I mail to-day a small box of books for the Library of Alaskan Society of Natural History, which you will please look after on its arrival.

With kind regards to Mrs. Gamble, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 20,1901.

Rev. S. Hall Young, D.D.,

Board of Home Missions, 156 Fifth Avenue,

New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Young:

Yours of the 18th is received. The Bear expects to sail about May 5th, or soon after. Her sailing is somewhat dependent upon repairs and may be delayed. I shall not leave Washington until I receive a telegram of the actual date of sailing.

I note what you say with regard to meeting of Presbytery early in July, at St. Michael, and hope that I may be able to be present. The Rev. E. O. Campbell, M.D., now in California has accepted an appointment to St. Lawrence Island, but it is doubtful whether he will be able this season to attend Presbytery.

With kind regards to your family when you write, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 20, 1901.

Mr. W. Scott,

Secretary of the Library Post,

10 Hollis Street, Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find One Dollar for the Library Post movement.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

April 20, 1902.

Mrs. John L. Emerson,

C/o Mrs. E. St. John Ellis,

Covington, Louisiana.

My dear Friend:

Yours of the 12th instant is received, and I am very glad to hear that you are so soon to return to Titusville. The Presbytery appointed a committee of about 15 ladies who were selected largely by Mrs. Diefenderfer, Mrs. Hickman and Mrs. Straight. You are made chairman and leader. I send a copy of the resolutions and a list of the names to Miss Constance Emerson to be handed you on your return home. I hope you will take an early opportunity to confer with Mrs. Diefenderfer and get the ladies to work. I will send you at Titusville a package of a table giving the approximate cost of the various rooms in the building, a couple of copies of which I enclose in this letter, so that you can say to an individual or society or Sabbath School or Church, that if they will raise any of the sums attached to the rooms that they can name that room; for instance, a number of the dormitories are $500 each, and any one giving $500 can name a dormitory, said name to be painted on the door of the room. This will perhaps help some churches and individuals to give more than they otherwise might.

I will also send for your use a drawing of the location of the rooms, copied from the Architect's plan, which you can keep at Titusville and as parties furnish the funds and specify the kind of room they want you can enter the name of the room on the diagram.

On my way to Alaska I expect to stop at Salt Lake, and possibly I can secure some cards with the picture of the building printed on them to send you.

General Eaton can furnish you with the last leaflet printed for the College in any number that you wish.

Please remember me very kindly to your mother. Mrs. Jackson would join me in sending her love if she knew that I was writing. I shall certainly look up your brothers in Seattle.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent/ &c.

Enclosure.

April 22, 1901.

Mr. William A. Kjellmann,
Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin.

My dear Sir:

Yours of April 10th is received and I will do what I can to secure Nils Klemetsen's pay for his check from the First National Bank of Portland, Oregon. Kindly give me such particulars as you may know; for instance if he knows how the other man got hold of it; did he give it to him or let him have it for safe-keeping; or was it stolen? If stolen does he know the time, or any circumstances connected with it? I need all the information I can get on the subject.

With regard to the mail contract, I want to state that I secured the contract for you, thinking at the time it was an extension of the contract already secured between St. Michael, Golovin and Kotzebue. The postal authorities sent for me several times to get the matter in shape. They had no other thought, nor had I, but that the government reindeer station was behind it. More than that when the order reached Alaska you were out of the country and Mr. Elliott was sick and the whole thing so far as your carrying out the terms of the contract, fell through. When the contractor fail to be on hand to perform the service, a postmaster has authority to employ men to carry the mail at the expense of the contractor. This Dr. Gambell did, and in the summer of 1900 wanted to send an official notice to the Department of what had been done, but seeing that it would complicate matters I assured him there was no need to do as you would turn over the money to the station as an extra fund from which various items could be paid, like those of Redmyer where he cannot get pay through the Treasury because he has no voucher to show for certain amounts. But when I see you we can talk this matter over.

Hoping you are improving and that you will keep up good courage, I remain

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 22, 1901.

Mr. John M. Glenn,
1103 North Eutaw Street,
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sir:

Your circular with regard to a new secretary for the work of the National Conference of Charities & Corrections is received. If Mr. Hart feels that he cannot give sufficient time to it, I am in favor of a competent secretary to give his whole time to the work; but regret to say that I am not in condition to contribute anything towards his salary. I am so pinched that I find the annual dues of the Society a burden.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 22, 1901.

Mrs. David S. McCaslin,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

My dear Madam:

Some time ago you kindly furnished me information concerning Mr. William Bergstrom, Kenwood Parl, Iowa. I enclose a copy of Mr. Bergstrom's letter.

There is a possibility that I may be called to account for my judgment in declining to appoint him, and you will confer a favor if you will, when convenient, fully verify your statements so that I can be sure of the ground upon which I stand. I will keep your name, and also that of your adviser from coming to any one else's ears.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

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COPY.

Kenwood Park, Ia., Mar. 26, 1901.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 15th inst. at hand stating that some one has maliciously and willfully sought to hurt my reputation. I am more then surprised at this as I did not know that I had a single enemy in this town that would be base enough to tell such a deliberate falsehood regarding my character, and he must have some selfish object in view to do so, whoever he may be.

As to my broken English, I can only state that I am a foreigner, which my letters to you certainly has plainly shown, but I can speak Laplander and several other languages, which is more than you can, and those who know both Mr. Kjellmann and myself say that I can speak English fully as plein as he does. But however that may be, I will only state that I am no hypocrite.

Thanking you for the kindly interest you have generously displayed in this matter, I will close in the hope that you and I will become better acquainted in a not far distant future where the testimony of malicious slanderers will have no weight.

Very respectfully,

(signed) V. Bergstrom.

April 23, 1901.

Rev. William C. Covert, D.D.,

Saginaw, Michigan.

Dear Brother:

If you have them to spare kindly send me two copies of the pamphlet "Minnesota a Concrete Example in Home Mission Work,"--address me Bureau of Education, Wawhington, D. C.

Your plan of getting up an illustrated address on Mission work in the Synod of Minnesota, ought to be followed by all of our Synods east, as well as west of , for instance through New York and pennsylvania, a set of slides illustrating church work could be sent around from congregation to congregation, it would greatly quicken the interest of the people in their church work.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

Enclose Stamp

April 23, 1901.

Rev. William Fiske Brown, D. D.

Beloit, Wisconsin.

My dear Doctor:

Some days ago I saw a notice of your book as being in print and immediately wrote to Marsh & Grant. They reply that they had sent my letter to you. If you have a copy left for sale please mail it to me, Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., together with bill for the same. I had not noticed its publication until a few Sabbaths ago, but want a copy very much.

With kind remembrance to your household, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 23, 1901.

The New York Evangelist,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find stamp for which return me a copy of the Rev. T. C. Stewart's sermon on "systematic giving," if you have any left. Also send me a copy of your Number on Dr. Field. I was away from home when it came and as my wife distributes the Evangelist after the family reads it, my copy was given away.

Very truly yours,
Sheldon Jackson
U. S. General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

April 23, 1901.

A. M, Marquis & Co.,
Publishers, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sirs:

Please turn this letter over to the Editor of "Who's Who" and if it is not too late, in the revised edition of the book kindly change the following sentence in the biographical paragraph concerning myself: "Gave $50,000 to found a Christian College, Utah, 1896." In the place of "$50,000" please substitute,"real estate." The sentence will then read, "Gave real estate to found a college in Utah."

As a personal explanation for yourself, for requesting this change, permit me to say that at the time I made the transfer of the property I supposed it was worth $50,000. I had received an offer of $40,000 for one piece of it. Since then however real estate has so far declined that probably I could not get over $25,000 for the whole property, and under these circumstances do not care to appear as giving $50,000. If you can make this correction you will greatly oblige me.

Permit me to call your attention to the following names that I find are not in the copy that I have: John G. Brady, Governor of Alaska. His is a remarkable case. He was a street waif in New York City, picked up by the police, sent to Randall Island, and thence West to be brought up with a farmer. When he became old enough he worked his way through an academy, Yale University, was helped through the Theological Seminary, and went to Alaska, 23 years ago, where he has been one of the leading men in the development of that section. Under President Arthur he was appointed United States Commissioner in Alaska, and is now serving his second term as Governor of the Territory by appointment of President McKinley. His address is Sitka, Alaska.

Also, the Rev. J. Taylor Hamilton, Bethlehem, Pa., who is at present Professor of Church History in the Moravian Theological Seminary at Bethlehem, and has served as Editor for years of their Church paper, andhas held important trusts in that Church. He is one of their leading members.

Also Rev. S. Hall Young, D.D., who was one of the early missionaries in Alaska and is now active in securing churches for the mining districts in that region. His address for the next month is, Care of Board of Home Missions, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York

Also Rev. George Norcross, D.D., Carlisle, Pa. Dr. Norcross has been moderator of the Presbyterian Synod the State of Pennsylvania ; is holding one of the longest pastorates in the State; is a director in many of the church institutions of the State, and one of the leading men. His address is Carlisle, Pa.

I do not know how far you care for these suggestions. I can send you more names if you wish them.

For its size I consider ~~this~~ "Who is Who" one of the handiest biographical books in existence, and it ought to have a very wide circulation. I use it constantly.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent of Education
for Alaska.

April 22, 1901.

Mrs. D. F. Diefenderfer,
415 Chestnut Street,
Erie, Pa.

My dear Friend:

I send you a copy of Mr. Olin's letter concerning money received from Park Church, Erie, for your information. I do not think it would be good policy to make Dr. Jones angry; we had better lose our collection in the hope of getting more out of his people hereafter.

I have had a pleasant letter from Mrs. Emerson, a copy of which I also enclose.

With kind regards to your family, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.,

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C O P Y.

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS,
OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

February 19th, 1901.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

Your note of the 18th inst., relative to the collection taken in the Park Church, Erie, Pa., on behalf of Sheldon Jackson College, is at hand. In reply, I beg to say that, during the present fiscal year, that is since April 1st last, we have received from the Park Church four remittances. The last one, amounting to $54.00, was received here the 6th of this month and Treasurer R.L.Perkins, of the Church, writes as follows:

"Enclosed check for $54.00, the contribution of the Park Church of Erie, Erie Presbytery, to the Board of Home Missions, by order of the Session."

By referring back to the letters received with former remittances this year, I find that they are almost identical in their terms with this one. You see, therefore, that there is nothing in this letter which would indicate that this amount was for Sheldon Jackson College. Is it not probable that the offering for the Coolege is still in the hands of the Treasurer of the Church?

Yours very cordially,
(signed) H. C. Olin, - Treasurer.

Washington Apr 23
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Rev R. G. McNiece D.D.
Salt Lake City Utah

Dear Sir

The Bureau of Education Mails to-day for the Library of S. J. College Seven Boxes and two Sacks of books, Reports and phamphlets.

Hope you will receive them safely.

The Cutter Bear has broken a Shaft & there will be still further delay in my reaching Salt Lake

Very truly Yours
Sheldon Jackson

C.B.W.I.
A & C

Boston, April 19, 1901.

Hon. John Eaton, LL.D.,

My dear Dr. Eaton:

Important as the Utah work is, I cannot see how to do anything among Congregationalists. Although I am not ecclesiastically in their body, my church is; and is interested in their own enterprises. I wish I could meet you and dear Dr. Jackson again. There will be a big place for him in the future history of the now far west, one of these days coming.

Yours fraternally,

(signed) J. L. Withrow.

April 27, 1901.

Mr. Edgar O. Campbell, M. D.,
Goleta, Santa Barbara County, California.

My dear Brother:

Your telegram that the Foreign Board wished you for Siam, came this morning. I at once telegraphed them, as follows:

"Dr. Halsey gave permission to secure DR. Campbell, California, for Alaska. He has been appointed and accepted, St. Lawrence Island, Alaska. Too late to release him".

I then wrote them a letter a copy of which I enclose. I trust that it will be satisfactory to the Foreign Board, and that you are as willing to go to Alaska as to Siam. Before you receive this I will have started for the Pacific Coast, and it is too late for me to give much further attention to securing a substitute for St. Lawrence Island.

Consequently, I felt that as the Secretary of the Foreign Board had given permission for me to try to secure you, they would not now try to retain you.

Address me at Occidental Hotel, Seattle, Washington. While in Seattle I hope to be able to make more definite arrangements for your journey to St. Lawrence Island.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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A. R. C.
COPY.

Copy

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS,
of the
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, April 1, 1901.

Rev. SHeldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.
Dept. of the Interior.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

I appreciate the need of haste in your case. We are now dealing with a missionary physician, the Rev. E. O. Campbell, 2216 Ellsworth St., Berkeley, California. I cannot say that we will not accept this brothe but the lase now hangs fire. Possibly if you wrote and presented the z claims of Alaska he might at once accept. He is the only physician at the present time on our books to whom I can even refer you and I am not sure but what the Board will appoint him. His case will not come up however, for two weeks.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) A. W. Halsey.

Copy

April 27, 1901.

To the Secretaries of the
Board of Foreign Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Dear Brethren:

I have been looking for two years, since the drowning of Mr. V. C. Gambell and family, for a medical missionary for St. Lawrence Island, Alaska. This last winter I thought possibly you might have more applicants than you had money to send, and I consequently took the liberty of writing Doctor Halsey. On April 1st he gave me the name of Rev. E. O. Campbell, of Berkeley, California, a copy of which letter I enclose. I immediately wrote Mr. Campbell offering him the position and he at once telegraphed his acceptance. I have ordered supplies and made all arrangements for his going; he has advertised his Drug Store and business for sale, and is completing his arrangements. This morning I received a telegram from him that you wished him to go to Siam. I am very sorry in any way to interfere with your plans, but under the circumstances feel that we can not give him up. The people of that island have practically been for two years since the death of their former missionary without any efficient care. I have placed temporary men on the island largely to care for the property, as a man, however good simply going for one year among a people with an unwritten language is of very little account for telling the story of the Cross.

As you know, St.Lawrence Island has but one communication with the outside world during the year; that it is almost under the Arctic Circle. There is upon the island a group of Eskimos that have no connection with the mainland or the rest of the world. They are docile, as easily influenced for good as the native tribes of Africa; they are pleading for some one to lead them into the light, and I trust that under these circumstances you will look elsewhere for Siam.

Very truly yours,

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS,
of the
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.,
156 Fifth Avenue.

New York, April [illegible]

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.
Dept. of the Interior.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

I appreciate the need of haste in your case. We are now dea[illegible] with a missionary physician, the Rev. E. O. Campbell, 2010 Ellsw[illegible] Berkeley, California. I cannot say that we will not accept this [illegible] but the case now hangs fire. Possibly if you wrote and presented to him the claims of Alaska he might at once accept. He is the only physician [illegible] the present time on our books to whom I can ever refer you and I [illegible] sure not that the Board will appoint him. His case will not come [illegible] over for two weeks.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) A. W. Halsey.

April 27, 1901.

Mrs. D. W. C. Rowley,

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

My dear Madam:

Mr. William Bergstrom of Kenwood Park, Iowa, has been writing to this Office for a position in the reindeer service in Alaska. He is strongly endorsed by several parties in Cedar Rapids and by a Congressman.

The qualifications needed by an applicant for the position are a practical knowledge of and care of reindeer; skill in handling men; also that he should speak good English; that he should not use profane language, and be a total abstainer from intoxicants. It is preferable as he ~~would be among~~ will have young Eskimos under his control that he should be a consistent Christian.

Mr. Bergstrom's letters to this Office have not created a favorable impression and his candidacy would not have received attention but for his references and strong endorsements. But going outside of these I have learned through others that he was not strictly temperate. If you will give me any information with regard to his personal habits, I will hold it confidentially and be thankful for the same.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 27, 1901.

Mr. C. W. Bingham,

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Mr. William Bergstrom of Kenwood Park, Iowa, has been writing to this Office for a position in the reindeer service in Alaska. He is strongly endorsed by several parties in Cedar Rapids and by a Congressman.

The qualificatrequired for such service are a practical knowledge and care of reindeer; skill in handling men; that he should speak good English; that he should not use profane language, and be a total abstainer from intoxicants. It is desirable also, as ~~having~~ there will be young Eskimo men under his control that he should be a consistent Christian.

Mr. Bergstrom's letters to this Office have not created a favorable impression and his candidacy would have received no attention but for his strong endorsements. But going outside these I have learned that he is not strictly temperate. If you will give me any information concerning his personal habits I will hold it as confidential and be thankful to you for the same.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 27, 1901.

Mrs. D. S. McCaslin,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

My dear Madam:

Yours of the 24th is received and I have just dictated a letter to the three parties you mention and will also remember your suggestion about not using an official envelope.

I regret exceedingly that you are on the sick list, but trust that you will soon be about again., If, when you get well any time in the summer or next fall you can procure inside information please do so, and write me, care Bureau of Education.

With kind regards to your husband, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 27, 1901.

Mr. John E. Gamble,

Industrial School,

Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Gamble:

Many thanks for your letter of the 16th instant. I feel so relieved to think that Mr. Kelly is better. I do hope he will be careful and not bring about a relapse. I did not know how much I loved him until I was startled with the possibility of losing his companionship on earth. Please give him my love and tell him my commands are to be exceedingly prudent and not bring about a relapse.

I presume my daughter will arrive at the same time as this letter. With kind regards to Mrs. Gamble, and your associates at the Mission, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

April 27, 1901.

Rev. T. Calvin Stewart,

Easton, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Stewart:

Thanks for sermon on the Tithing System. I am glad to have several copies as I will take them with me on my way to Alaska and leave them where they will do good.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent. &c.

April 27, 1901.

Mrs. Sumner Morgan,

Kenwood Park, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Mr. William Bergstrom of Kenwood Park, has been writing to this Office for a position in the reindeer service in Alaska. He is strongly endorsed by several parties in Cedar Rapids and by a Congressman.

The qualifications needed by the applicant for the position are a practical knowledge and care of reindeer; also skill in handling men; also that he should speak good English; that he should not use profane language, and should be a total abstainer from intoxicants. It is also preferable, ~~that~~ as he ~~would while among~~ will have young Eskimos under his control, that be a consistent Christian. Mr. Bergstrom's own letters to this Office have not created a favorable impression and his candidacy would have been given no attention if he had not been so strongly endorsed by others. Going outside of the references which he gave the Office I have learned through others that he was not strictly temperate. If you will give me any information with regard to his personal habits I will hold it in confidence and also be thankful for the same.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

April 27, 1901.

Mr. William H. Allen,
University of Pennsylvania,
Station B, Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Your Circular of March 28th addressed to W. R. Jackson, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Nebraska, has been returned from Sitka to my office at Washington. I return you the letter but presume the Circular was simply placed in the wrong envelope and that you had also mailed one to Mr. Jackson.

We have no school savings bank feature connected yet with the schools of Alaska. I think, however, that it will accomplish much where properly looked after in teaching children habits of thrift and saving.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

1 Enclosure.

April 27, 1901.

Mr. H. B. Frissell, D.D.,
Hampton Institute,
Hampton, Virginia.

My dear Brother:

Your invitation to me via Sitka, is just received. However I received one in time at Washington but greatly regretted that I could not attend on the 17th. I remember with such pleasure a former attendance at commencement that I have often wished for an opportunity to come again. Wishing you a continuance of your great success, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 27, 1901.

Mr. I. H. Cammack,

Whittier, California.

Dear Friend:

Yours of the 22nd is received and I note what you say with regard to the Cutter Carrying some of your supplies to Kotzebue Sound. If there is not too much bulk I think the Captain will do it from Nome. Or, what will be better, if you fail to get your supplies taken to Kotzebue, have them landed at Teller Reindeer Station as he can pick them up much cheaper for you there than at Nome. Many of the ships that go to Nome also go to Teller, which is four miles from the reindeer station. It will be wise for you to have Senator Bard of California write to the Secretary of the Treasury setting forth the facts in the case and that your supplies are necessary for carrying on the civilization of the Eskimos at

Kotzebue, and let the Secretary of the Treasury give an order to the Cutter to pick up your supplies at Teller Reindeer Station, and take them to Kotzebue. Senator Bard is a Christian man and a letter from you in behalf of your association will have weight with him. But you should act promptly in the matter as the time is short. I will compare your list of school supplies with those already purchased and if any more are needed will provide them. I expect to leave next Wednesday to join the BEAR at Seattle.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

April 29, 1901.

Rev. D. Nyvall,

North Park College, Station X.

Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:

I now expect to be in Chicago en route to Alaska, Thursday, May 2nd, and will be at the Tremont Hotel from half past two to 5 P. M. In case I can be of any assistance to your Society I will be glad to meet some one to speak for them

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 30, 1901.

General Charles Bird,

Quartermaster-General's Office,

War Department, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Thanks for letter of introduction to the Quarter-Master at St. Michael.

I wish very much you could join me there and we travel home together on the transport.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

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April 30, 1901.

Captain C. F. Shoemaker, R.C.S.,
Treasury Department, Washington, D. C.

My dear Captain:

Thanks for a list of the Officers on the BEAR.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 30, 1901.

Rev. William F. Brown, D.D.

Beloit, Wisconsin.

My dear Dr. Brown:

Yours of yesterday received, also copy of Volume 1, of your book. I looked over it hurriedly last evening with great interest, and think it will be a valuable addition to the historical literature of our Church in the Northwest. It is a pity that all of our Synods could not be fully written up, especially in the newer sections of the country, while some of the pioneers are still living and many of the participators in the foundation laying can still give their testimony. If we had had full information of the days of Makamie they would now be invaluable to the Church. I suppose the events that we participated in ourselves seem so commonplace that they do not seem worth placing on paper, but they would look very differently to generations that come after us.

I do not know that you would refer to it in your second volume in your notice of myself, but if you should have occasion to refer to my gift to Salt Lake, please do not put it as so many do, "$50,000." I did not give any money, but did give real estate in the city of Washington that at that time was supposed to be worth $50,000; for for one piece of it I had refused $40,000. But since that time real estate has so depreciated that it would not sell for anything like that amount; consequently I do not care to pose before the Church as having given $50,000 when I have not done so. It is not necessary to refer to it at all, but if you think it necessary you can say that I took an active part in starting the College or I gave valuable real estate, without designating any money value. I shall wait with great interest the appearance of your second volume treating of Presbyterianism in the State, as I was privileged in helping organize a number of the churches in Western Wisconsin, in the old Presbytery of Chippewa, and in the Presbytery of Southern Minnesota, which extended into Wisconsin.

With kind regards to your family, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

April 30, 1901.

Mrs. William Thaw,

P. O. Box 1086,

Pittsburg, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Thaw:

Yours of the 24th is received and I am glad that you are going to have two months and a half in Europe; I hope the complete change will rest and strengthen you.

The books and papers for Rev. Wm. S. Bannerman can be sent to him at Sitka, Alaska, unless you have heard that he has gone to Haines. My own impression is that he is still at Sitka. The package for Rev. M. E. Koonce, if it can reach Seattle by the 10th of May could be directed as follows: Rev. M. S. Koonce, St. Michael, Care Captain Francis Tuttle, Commanding Cutter BEAR, Seattle, Washington. If sent at once by mail they will reach there in time, and Capt. Tuttle will kindly convey them without charge from Seattle to St. Michael.

Your maid overlooked enclosing Mr. Bailey's letter, and as it was not sent cannot be returned.

I hope to stop over next Sabbath at Salt Lake and have a conference with the trustees. Your letter came just in time, as I leave tomorrow morning for Alaska.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

Gen'l Agt.&c.

April 30, 1901.

The North-Western Investment Company,
Endicott Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sirs:

I return you the Tax Levies for 1900, with check for $89.28 for the payment of one-half year's tax. I understand that one-half the tax can be paid in May and the other half in October. If you have reserved money out of the rents for this tax please return this check to me at the Occidental Hotel, Seattle, Washington, as I am very hard up for funds for the summer.

I notice on the last sheet with regard to the taxes for South Park Division, No. 1, that Lot 3 on the bill should be Lot 7: It would then be "Lot 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, Block 3, Division 1."

I leave tomorrow morning for Seattle, via Omaha, and can be addressed for a few days as above; that is, I do not expect to leave Seattle until the 10th.

When you make your July quarterly statement,hereafter please make Mrs. Jackson's and my statement to each of us individually, as we have a good deal of difficulty in separating our accounts when the money of one or the other is taken to meet a deficiency in the other's account. You can enclose both statements in one envelope but make the statements to each separately.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

U. S. General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

Written at B. & O.
Station.
10:45 A.M.

May 1 - 1901
Please place to
my credit on
your books
Sheldon Jackson

Merchants
National
Bank
N. Y. C

Enclosing draft on
Chase National Bank
New York.
for $1750.00

From Washington
Loan & Trust Co. –
No. 27095,
May 1, 1901.
Signed by Brice J. Moses,
Asst. Treas.
Countersigned
by Jno. A. Swope,
V. Pres.

REGISTERED {LETTER ~~PARCEL~~} No. 906, P. O., Washington, D. C.

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a {Letter ~~Parcel~~} addressed to Merchants Nat. Bk,
N.Y. City

John A. Merritt, P. M., per Hawkins

October 5 1.

The Rev. James G. Patterson:

1731 Sedgewick Ave., New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Doctor Sheldon Jackson is now in Alaska. I have to inform you that your letter and the prospectus and other printed matter from the Texas Oil and Pipe Line CO. have been forwarded to him at Sitka.

Very respectfully,

William Hamilton

Assistant Agent, Education for Alaska.

October 7 1.

Mr. A. F. Pinkham,

Absaraka, North Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Dr. Sheldon Jackson is now in Alaska. Your letter containing draft for $600 has been sent by registered mail to him at Sitka.

Very respectfully yours,

William Hamilton

Assistant Agent, Education for Alaska.

October 7 1.

Mr. William A. Kelly,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Kelly:

I send to-day a registered letter to Dr. Jackson, in your care. It contains a draft for $800, which I thought he would like to have before leaving Southeast Alaska. If he has already left for the East will you kindly return the letter and draft here by registered mail.

Very truly yours,

William Hamilton

October 12 1.

Mr. Thomas W. Herringshaw,
Office of the American Publishers' Association,
177 La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of October 10 to Dr. Sheldon Jackson has been received and will be handed to him upon his return from Alaska to this Bureau in November.

Very respectfully,

William Hamilton
Assistant Agent, Education for Alaska.

November 14

The American Publishers Association,
177 La Salle Street.
Chicago, Illinois.

Sirs:

Yours of May 28, July 6th, and October 10th were here awaiting my return a few days ago from Alaska.

The Express Company brought in the Encyclopedia to-day but have taken it back to their office as the man wanted to collect $20.75 on the same. I showed him your letter of october 10th in which you say that you have instructed the Agent to deliver me the $20 Edition for $10 and expressage; but before I receive the volume from the Express Company I shall insist on being allowed to open the package and see the statement with regard to myself; if it is there according to agreement I will pay them the $10 and expressage.

Will you not kindly address a letter to the Express Company giving them authority to allow me examination and to receive the $10 and expressage?

What are your wholesale rates on the book for school libraries in Alaska, of which I have entire control? I do not know that it is the work that I wish for those libraries, but thought it would be no harm to inquire in case I find that I should want it.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

November 14

Mrs. Sarah T. Kinney,
1152 Chapel Street,
New Haven, Connecticut.

My dear Mrs. Kinney:

Yours of the 11th instant is received and I am glad to hear from you again---you needed no introduction. It seems like old times to see your handwriting again.

It will give me great pleasure to meet the gentlemen associated with your Brother in mining enterprises at Kasaan, and it may also be of interest to their wives and children the talk and conference that we may have together; and if they should wish to invite other friends in it is all the same to me.

I was very much gratified in visiting Kasaan to meet Mr. Babcock the manager of the company and learn from him that some of the leading stockholders were not only Christian men but men with large, broad missionary sympathies; that they proposed to encourage the Hydahs to settled around their works promising to give them permanent employment winter and summer and help them build a model temperance town.

I have been waiting to come across such a syndicate for the last 24 years and of course was very much pleased at the plans as far as developed. Indeed I was so pleased that both Governor Brady and ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ said that when I returned ~~the one~~ East I ought to meet with the principal shareholders (if they care to see me) and talk over matters which we hope would help the syndicate and promote the welfare of the neighboring

Hydahs. Mr. Babcock informed me that if the government would send a teacher the Company would build a schoolhouse, and I accepted the offer. I understand he is also willing to build for the company a small chapel, and I am looking around for a suitable minister for the same.

In the division of fields between the different denominations in 1880, southeast Alaska, which covers Kasaan, was set apart by the other denominations as the field for the Presbyterians. The other denominations have fields to themselves in other sections of Alaska, consequently I have made application for a Presbyterian minister for Kasaan. There are Presbyterian ministers at Saxman, Jackson and Klawack, on three sides of Kasaan?

In the conference between the denominations in 1880 it was not considered wise for more than one denomination to go among the same tribe in Alaska, as we did not wish to confuse their minds with the differences existing in civilization.

Will you ascertain what evening in the week will be most convenient for the Syndicate to meet me, and whether they would like to see me at once or in December or January? I shall probably arrange for business in New York City at the same time in order to save travelling expenses over the same ground. I can come almost any evening when it will accommodate the largest number.

It will give me pleasure to accept your very kind invitation to make my home at your house.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

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Dr. Sheldon Jackson.

Travelling expenses in Alaska
and return to Washington, D.C.

			voucher		
July	2	Ferriage across Nome River			25
	5	Two meals on shore at St. Michael	1	2	00
	14	Transfer baggage beach to hotel	2	1	50
	"	Fee for handling baggage at hotel			25
	16	" " " "			25
	"	Transfer baggage hotel to beach	3	1	00
	22	Special [illegible] to Teller City by row-boat with reference to erection of school house. Lunch for party ------------	4	2	10
	24	Transfer by row-boat from Teller Reindeer Station to steamship Jeannie.	5	2	95
	"	Lunch for self and assistant at Teller.	6		50
	"	Teller to Nome on steamship Jennie.		15	00
	25	Transfer baggage from beach to hotel.	7	1	00
	26	Board & lodging Golden Gate Hotel, Nome, Alaska, July 14 to 16, and 25 to 26th - 3 days at $4.50 ------------	8	13	50
	"	Transfer baggage to St. Bernard.	9	2	00
Aug.	14	Myself and party were left by Revenue Cutter BEAR at Cape Pr. of Wales, while she continued her cruise north and it was necessary to communicate with Revenue Cutter THETIS to cruise for us. The letter had to be forwarded by an Eskimo on foot across the mountains to York & paid messenger --	9½	5	00
	15	One day's board on Cutter THETIS	10	2	00
	17	Supper on board Steamer Jeannie			50
	24	Room rent one day Teller City	11	2	50
	17	Fare Steamship Newsboy, Teller to Nome.		15	00
	26	Five meals for self and secretary.	12	2	00
	29	2 meals at .50 for self & assistant.	13	1	00
				69	75

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			Voucher	69	[illegible]
Sept.	5	Board & lodging with T.L.Brevig at Teller Reindeer Station, July 17 to Aug.23; Aug.16 and Aug 26th to Sep.4 - 16 days at $1.50 per day ----------	14	24	00
	5	Teller to Nome, S. S. Oregon		15	00
	16	Mr. D.V.Mackey, room & board July 27th to Aug.11 inclusive (16) days Aug. 18 to 24th (inclusive)(7 days); Sep.6 to 11th (5 days); and Sep.13 to 15 (2 days) - 30 days at $3 per day --------------	16	90	00
	"	Transfer of baggage from Nome to beach.	17	2	00
	18	From Dutch Harbor to Unalaska and return ----------------------------			50
Oct.	24	Transfer of baggage at Ketchikan			50
	"	Board on Cutter RUSH Oct.11 to 24th (inclusive), 14 days at $2. --------	18	28	00
	27	Transfer trunks steamer to hotel	19	1	00
	28	Street Cars Seattle			15
	29	Board & lodging Occidental Hotel, Seattle, Oct.27 to 29, 2 1/2 days at $3. per day --------------------------	19	7	50
	"	Transfer baggage hotel to R.R.Depot	19	1	00
	"	R.R.Fare Seattle to St. Paul --------		25	00
	"	Sleeping Car Seattle to St. Paul ----		12	00
	30	Breakfast .50, Dinner $1., Porter .25.		1	75
	31	" .75, " .75, Supper.50 Porter .25 --------------------------		2	25
Nov.	1	Breakfast.75, Dinner $1., Porter .25.		2	00
	2	Board and lodging Merchants Hotel, St. Paul, (1 day), -----------------	20	2	50
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Dr. Sheldon Jackson

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Nov.	2	R.R.Fare St.Paul to Chicago	7	50
"	"	Sleeping Car " "	2	00
"	3	Sleeping Car Porter .25. Transfer across Chicago with baggage	1	25
"	"	Breakfast $1.R.R.Fare Chicago to Washington.	17	50
"	"	Sleeping Car Chicago to Washington.	5	00
"	4	Breakfast $1.,Dinner .75,Supper .75, Porter .25.	2	75
"	5	Sleeping Car Porter .25. Cab for self to House .50		75
"	"	Transfer 3 trunks .75 "		75

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Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Travelling expenses from Washington to Alaska

May	1	Cab from house to R.R.Depot	50
	"	Transfer two trunks " "	50
	"	R.R.fare Washington to Chicago	17 00
	"	Pullman sleeper " " "	5 00
	"	Dinner $1. Supper $1. Porter .25	2 25
May	2	Breakfast $1. Porter .25,Cab to hotel.50	1 75
	"	8 Street car fares Chicago - public business	40
	"	Dinner $1.Supper $1.Cab to R.R.Depot.50	2 50
	"	R.R.fare Chicago to Seattle	30 75
	"	Pullman sleeper Chicago to Salt Lake	9 50
	3	Breakfast .75,Dinner $1.Supper.80, Porter .25	2 80
	4	Breakfast .75,Dinner $1.Supper .80	2 55
	"	Porter .25,Street cars Salt Lake .10	35
	5	Street cars Salt Lake .10,Cab to R.R.Depot .50	60
	"	Pullman sleeper Salt Lake to Portland,	6 00

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May	6	Dinner $1.Supper .75,Porter .25	2	00
	7	Breakfast $1.Dinner $1.Porter .25	2	25
	"	Pullman sleeper Portland to Seattle	2	00
	8	Sleeping car Porter .25 Transfer baggage.50)		75
	"	Street cars Seattle		10
	14	Street cars Seattle		10
	15	Seattle to Tacoma & return	1	25
	"	Street cars Tacoma		10
	16	" " Seattle		10
	22	Long distance telephone Seattle to Tacoma		25
	"	" " " Olympia		50
	23	Street cars Seattle		10
	25	Seattle to Tacoma & return	1	25
	"	Street cars at Tacoma		10
	27	Telegram to War Dept.for Transportation voucher D)		52
June	1	Seattle to Olympia & return	2	00
	~~5~~	~~Long distance Telephone Seattle to Corvallis Ore.~~	~~[illegible]~~	~~[illegible]~~

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June	8	Street cars Seattle		10
	"	Room & Board Occidental Hotel from May 8 to June 7, 1901, inclusive - 31 days at $3.00 ---Voucher No. 1	93	00
	"	Transfer 2 trunks & 2 boxes of official papers from hotel to wharf Voucher No. #3		75

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Sheldon Jackson

November 14

Mr. Homer Folks,
105 East 22d Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of October 17th requesting me to accept the position of Corresponding Secretary for Alaska for the National Charities and Correction Society, is received. It will give me pleasure to continue to act for your Society.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

November 14,

Rev. [illegible] Wilson,

Canon City, Colorado.

My dear Brother:

Yours of August 12th was awaiting my return from Alaska. I greatly regret that it will not be possible for me to visit Canon City in November. I presume that is the time when the Church hopes to dedicate their beautiful new building; → To see these fine churches going up in Colorado and remember the humble beginnings of those churches, fills my heart with great thankfulness to God, and encourages me in the little feeble beginnings that I am now establishing in Alaska.

Thank you for the photograph of the Church, as it was in July; when you secure a photograph of the building completed please do not forget to send me one.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent &c.

November 14

Mr. S. R. Williams,
57 Wyckoff Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Sir:

Yours of November 6th is just received---I do not know where it has been these eight days past.

The sealskins sent you from Carlisle, Pa., are the joint property of Mrs. Governor Brady of Alaska and my daughter. You are requested to pluck, dye, and machine them, then return them to me at Washington, D.C. I note your price, $7.50 per skin.

Your father being in the business 68 years was nothing to me when I wrote you as I had never heard of the name of the firm until Governor Brady asked me to send the skins to you. I presume yours to be an honorable firm but I had no personal knowledge of it. I take you on Governor Brady's word.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

November 16,

Messrs. S. Foster & Co.,
28 California Street,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sirs:

Your card announcing the death of Mr. Arthur Foster was received at Seattle and I was very sorry to hear of your loss.

What has been done with the ~~oil~~ ivory and supplies which Mr. Doty left with you for sale, the proceeds of which were to be turned over to me for the benefit of his creditors. If you have not already done so whenever the time comes to make a sale at good prices please do so and send me the proceeds, less your commission.

I suppose it is too early yet for you to get any idea what rates of freight you can get for next spring to the reindeer stations around the northern end of Bering Sea? We should be glad to purchase our supplies at San Francisco if we could only secure as good rates on freight, for we had rather deal with you than with any one else. Have you ever considered the matter whether it would not pay your firm to have a small schooner and not only supply the reindeer stations but also the several mission stations that are in that section of Alaska? I think if it could be done you might be reasonably sure of the mission and government trade freight and passenger year after year. The amount for the reindeer stations will probably dwindle in amount.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

November 16,

Mrs. A. B. Cross,

701 North Calvert Street,

Baltimore, Md.

My dear Mrs. Cross:

Yours of the 13th instant is received and I greatly regret to write that I shall not be able to make the address to which you so kindly invite me. I am so situated that when I speak on Mormonism it is necessary to do it with as little publicity as possible, and for me to be the principal speaker at a mass meeting of all the Churches in Baltimore on that subject would not be for the best interest of the cause or of educational work in Alaska.. Where Churches invite me to give a missionary address without publicly announcing the subject, I feel free to make an address on Mormonism. However, just now I have a bronchial trouble that would prevent my addressing a meeting at that time. I am very sorry that the situation is such that I cannot fulfill the appointment.

With kind regards to the friends, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

November 15

Rev. R. G. McNiece, D.D.
1248 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

My dear Doctor:

I have recently returned from Alaska and am anxious to know how you and your associates are getting along in the College. I was very much disappointed when I got back and found that the loan had not gone through and that consequently the building was still in abeyance. I was very glad to hear, however, that you and Mr. Sweazy were standing so faithfully at your posts.

Now please write me what the situation is regarding the salaries of the teachers: How much has been paid and how much is still behind, and what are the prospects for raising them?
Mrs. Jackson and myself have a little amount which we will send you on our own account and will send it direct to you rather than through the treasury.

What has been done during the summer in the Presbytery of Erie, and what are the present prospects there? How is Brother Mc Curdy succeeding? Where are you holding your recitations this season I presume you have seen an artcle in a recent "INTERIOR" concerning the early beginnings of Yale. I have cut it out and will enclose it lest you may not have noticed it in reading the paper yourself.

The discouragements that we are standing up under are those which seem to be common to all educational institutions in their early beginning, except in the few instances where some millionaire place an institution on its feet at the beginning; even then, they have their troubles and discouragements; ~~[illegible]~~ Leland Stanford University [illegible] have not long since seen the time when they did not know how they would be able to [illegible] institutions running for the want of funds. I have noticed however in the history of educational institutions that institutions that keep pegging away sooner or later come to the front and are stronger and better for their earlystruggles.

Please let me hear from you as soon as convenient. Remember me very kindly to your associates and family.

Truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Enclosure.

November 16

Messrs. Hawley & Huntley,
Room 14 Haller Building,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sirs:

Congratulations at your recent partnership; two energetic enterprising men like yourselves ought to be able to build up a large business.

Mr. Huntley's letter of November 5th is received. I was very sorry not to see you when I called at your rooms, but was in a hurry to get East and could not remain over very well.

I notice what you say with regard to the $199 collected on the Cedar Street warrants; please remit that by draft on New York to my wife, Mrs. Mary V. Jackson, Concord Flats, Washington, D. C.; also state in your letter the number of the Cedar Street warrants upon which that sum was paid, as a portion of those warrants belong to me and the others belong to her.

I enclose you the Canal warrant No. 503, which you state has been called, and from the amount collected on that warrant you can reserve sufficient money for fees and costs of suit on Market Street warrant; the balance of the sum you will please remit to me by draft on New York.

With regard to the Seattle real estate I notice what you write and hope your firm will take hold of it and either sell the outside property if you think it the best time to sell, or arrange with Mayor Wood, who said to me last spring that he would be ready to redeem the property if I wished it . Possibly the least trouble for me would be to let him redeem the property under the provision that you made , at the time the property was turned over to me, Mr. Hawley also understands the situation and you will please talk it over and advise me what to do? I hope that you are looking at the situation just the same as if it were your own property and you were trying to do the best you could for yourselves.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

S. J. A. R. C.

November 20, 1901.

Mr. William F. Doty,
#20 Alexander Hall,
Princeton, New Jersey.

My dear Brother:

Your two letters are received, and I was quite surprised at hearing that you were back again in this country, and am very glad that God's good prividence has arranged it so that you can continue your studies at Princeton. I hope that your ocean voyage has improved your health, and that in turn strengthened your eyes.

I was not very successful in collections for you in Alaska. Mr. Brevig has given me an order on his salary for $70.°° for thw boots which were sent him the year before. That of course I will get shortly. At St. Lawrence Island, Skoolock gave me five pairs of boots and said he would give more next year, but the more years that he delays the less likely he is to do anything further. Dr. Lerrigo declined to get the prejudices of the people by attempting to collect. Another native whose name I have in my memoranda, but whom I do not now recollect, and cannot place me hand upon the Memoranda ~~it,~~ gave me, I think, two pairs.

Prices when I got back to Nome were so low ($1.50 a pair) that I left them with Mr. Brevig to sell in the winter, when prices would probably again be up to two or three dollars ~~days.~~ The trouble with the natives on St. Lawrence Island, is that the whlers reached there before the BEAR and the natives are selling everything to them, and then, when the Cutter arrives there is nothing left to pay up old debts with.

I have heard nothing with regard to the sale of the ivory in San Francisco, and have recently written Mr. Foster for information. I presume you saw him when you came through.

With regard to your second letter concerning the coal, I would say that that was given to Dr. Lerrigo as a bonus for staying alone when you were so suddenly called away from the island. It haveing been given to him for special services it is entirely at his disposal. If he had been willing to give you half or the whole of it the Government would have had nothing to say in the matter. The same is equally true now that the purposes to keep the whole of it.

I shall be glad to hear from you at any time. Remember me kindly to your mother, brother and sister, when you write.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

November 20, 1901.

Mr. Ferd P. Kaiser, Publisher,
St. Louis, Missouri.

My dear Mr. Kaiser:

Upon my return home a few days ago from Alaska, I found volumes 8, 9, and 10 of the "World's Best Essays", awaiting me. This completes the set, which I appreciate very highly. I trust that you are having a large sale of the same to remunerate you for the privilege you have furnished the reading-public of having the cream of the world's literature in so small space.

I have also to thank you for the prospectus of the Essays, containing the photographs of the editorial and advisory staff. Kindly mail me several more of the same. The portraits are so well printed that I propose inserting one into one of each of volume one, of both Speeches and Essays. The two series ought to carry your name down into history as one of the world's benefactors.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

November 20

Mr. Everett Sisson,
Publisher of the"Interior,"
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Sisson,

Yours of September 23d informing me of the serious illness of Doctor Gray did not reach me until I arrived at Sitka after the death of Dr. Gray. The news of his death will bring great sorrow not only to the Christian homes on the Pacific Coast , where the Interior is so widely taken and read, but also to distant Alaska. The long connection and strong personality of Dr. Gray with the Interior has made his name a household word in all that region; his cheery and helpful editorials made him thousands of friends. His life touched so many interests that not only our Church but the world will be the poorer for his translation. Although I had been acquainted with him many years I did not know the richness of his inner life, the breadth of his love and the earnestness of his yearning for the betterment of humanity until a few years ago when I had the privilege of having him as my guest on an ocean trip from Puget Sound to the Aleutian Islands.

The fathers and veterans are dropping by the way and new and younger men must come to the front and push foward the work.

If convenient kindly mail me a copy of October 14th, and also the special copy that contains the notices of appreciation from various friends. Enclosed find money for a copy of the enlarged print which you offer of Doctor Gray.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Bureau of Education
Washington
D.C.

(Enclosure.)

November 20

Mrs. Sara T. Kinney,
1162 Chapel Street,
New Haven, Connecticut.

My dear Mrs. Kinney:

Yours of the 15th instant is received and I note what you say with regard to December as the time of meeting. After reading your letter, it seems to me better that the conference and meeting with the shareholders of the Copper Co. had better be with them and their families only, as they might wish to ask concerning things that possibly they would not care to have the public know. Then if you wish a popular meeting open to the public in some church or hall or house to take up the general subject of missions in Alaska, we can have that also. My suggestion would be the first evening to meet the syndicate and the next evening to hold a popular meeting. My main purpose however in coming to New Haven will be to meet this syndicate. As I am very busy you need not go to any special trouble to have a popular meeting; but if you and other friends very much desire such meeting I will be willing to stay over one day and spend a second evening in New Haven. I have an engagement for the 7th of December in Washington , but at present have no other engagement for the month.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

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to Official book. —

November 23,

Mr. H. Edwards Rowland,
218 Fulton Street,
New York City.

My dear Sir:

Yours of October 17th was awaiting my return from Alaska and I regret the delay in reply.

I have been so long on the frontier away from the centers of influence that I have not that intimate knowledge of the abilities of our leading Ministers that would warrant me in recommending any one to your pulpit. I have been turning over in my mind various names. The few names like that of Dr. Minton, our Moderator, that would occur to me have probably already been canvassed by your committee.

Next to the New York Avenue Church and the Church of the Covenant, Washington, I consider the Fifth Avenue the most important Church in our denomination and I assure you of my very deep personal interest in your securing the strongest man that we have in the Church. The death of Dr. Purvis, which I heard of as I was leaving Alaska was a great shock to me. I visited him last spring before leaving for Alaska and he seemed to be in such good health and spirits that I cannot think of him as departed.

I wish I could help you but I do not know how to do it.

Very respectfully yours,
Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

November 23,

Mr. Marion Lawrence,
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Yours of June 24th was awaiting my return from Alaska in November.--- of course too late to attend the meeting of the International Executive Committee at Chatauqua on August 2d last. I am much interested in hearing that the conventions show an increase in numbers and interest.

Thanking you for calling my attention to the meeting and regretting that I could not be present, I remain

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

November 23,

Rev. E. B. Linn,
Highland Park,
Des Moines, Iowa.

My dear Dr. Linn:

I have just heard that the Rev. John L. Gage of Fremont, Iowa, has been laid aside from the ministry by failing health. I assure you I am very sorry to hear it, as he was with me many years in pioneer work in Minnesota, Nebraska and Wyoming. He was one of the kind that never stopped at the offer of a hard field and never higgled about a salary. If there was work to be done and he was asked to do it he went without further questions. Having been all his life on the frontier I fear that he has not laid up any of this world's goods for his declining years. If it is necessary for him to go upon the Board of Relief and any word of mine would be of use or assistance you may call upon me and I will gladly testify to the value of his services to the Church.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

November 23,

Rev. John L. Gage,
Fremont, Iowa.

My dear Brother:

I am very sorry to hear that your health is weakening. You were formerly so strong and rugged and active that it does not seem possible that you could be anything different, but I know of my own experience that a time comes in our lives when we are not as vigorous as we once were. I am very glad to hear of the welfare of your family and the children. Daisy took a course of law and was admitted upon examination to practice before the bar of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, but instead of opening an office, about that time an aunt died and she felt it her duty to become housekeeper for her uncle, who was living alone. Bessie is still with us and has developed into an artist. Mrs. Jackson is not at all well, but is still able to go to church and to market but has had to deny herself from society for some years.

I have written Mr. Linn as you requested and if there is any thing more that I can do will gladly do it.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

S. J.   A. R. C.

November 26, 1901.

Captain B. S. Stanley, U.S.A.,
C/o Col. S. W. Fordyce, U.S.A.,
#37 Washington Terrace, St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Captain Stanley:

I regret to say that I was unable to secure you a white Polar bear-skin for $25.oo. I tried at several points which I visited personally myself, and then when Captain Tuttle, Commanding the BEAR left me to go to Point Barrow, I gave the money to him, hoping that, in that far north region he could secure one. He was quite confident that if he failed to get one at Point Barrow, he could purchase one from a whaler. But he, also, was disappointed in being able to secure one. However, I have a very nice one of medium size, which was secured at Point Barrow a year ago, and sent down this season for one of my daughters. She has decided that she does not care for it, and if you care to have it I can send it to you for $35.oo The large-sized ones are now selling for from $50.oo to $100.oo unmounted. If you do not care to take it at that price, let me know and I will return the $25.oo which you advanced to me.

With kind regards to your family, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Money received from the U. S. War Department per Sheldon Jackson, and paid by William A. Kjellmann to employees &c, at Eaton Reindeer Station, Alaska.

Paid to Dr. Jackson, 1898:

June	- Excess of government freight to Eaton Reindeer Station - - -	$59.80
July 29	- Cash paid on order of J.P.Stalagorge	3.00
	Ditto on order of O. J. Pulk	44.66
Aug. 1	- Cash paid on order of J.R.Hatta on salary - - -	17.02
Aug.28	- Cash to balance W.A.Kjellman's account with the government - - -	6.67
Aug.29	-Ditto balance on R. Dahl's account - - - -	9.35
Aug.30	- Express charges on $882.00 silver coin from Seattle to Eaton -	18.00
	Total	$158.50 $158.50

August 10, 1898. Paid salaries of Laplanders.

Samuel Balto- - - - -	112.20
John Andersen - - - -	120.79
Otto Greiner- - - - -	176.92
Iver Vest - - - - - -	191.15
Ole Olsen - - - - - -	76.93
Hans Samuelsen- - - -	118.85
Anders Johnsen- - - -	98.96
J. S. Rauna - - - - -	119.63
Ole Berg- - - - - - -	128.47
Beret Eira- - - - - -	30.44
Ole Krogh - - - - - -	108.00
Karl O. Sarr- - - - -	231.80
Karl Sacariassen- - -	89.08
Rolf Wiig - - - - - -	80.20
Forward	$1842.31

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M. Kjelsberg- - - - - -	191.05
Th. Kjelsberg - - - - - -	173.97
Ole Stensfjeld- - - - - -	97.99
Hilmar Hansen - - - - - -	83.75
Peder Johannesen- - - - -	192.68
Samuel Joselsen - - - - -	163.38
Wm. Basi- - - - - - - -	132.10
O. Paulsen- - - - - - - -	145.06
Ole Rapp- - - - - - - - -	74.83
Jeremias Abrahamsen - - -	384.79
Lauritz Stefansen - - - -	133.80
Nils Klemetsen- - - - - -	147.35
Alfred Nilsen- - - - - -	163.31
Emil Kjelsberg- - - - - -	546.75
Amund Hansen - - - - - -	177.69
Lauritz Larsen- - - - - -	165.47
Peder Berg- - - - - - - -	178.89
Regnor Dahl - - - - - - -	190.42
Fredrik Larsen- - - - - -	175.00
J.P.Johannesen Stalorgo -	136.69
Mathis Klemetsen Eillokka	184.66
Isak Hatta- - - - - - - -	154.95
Ole K. Hatta- - - - - - -	181.60
J.M.Johannesen- - - - - -	11.78
Isak Nakkila- - - - - - -	134.66
J. O. Pulk- - - - - - - -	22.33
Total - - - - -	$6237.46

SUMMARY:

Received from the War Department- - - - - - - - -	$6526.88
Paid to employees etc.,	$6237.46
	$289.42
Returned to Dr. Jackson -	$289.42

Karasjok, Norway.

_______________ 1900.

Received of the United States General Agent of Education in Alaska the sum of Two Hundred Ninety-nine Dollars ($299.00), of which Two Hundred Thirty-nine Dollars ($239.00) is payment in full of salary of my son to June 30, 1900, and Sixty Dollars ($60.00) received in payment of a loan to Samuel Balto; also a certificate of deposit to the credit of my son for One Hundred Fifty-six & 34/100 ($156.34) in bank of Trondhjem, Norway.

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S. J. A. R. C.

November 26, 1901.

Mr. A. F. Pickham,

Absaraka, North Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of October 4th addressed to me at Washington, D. C., was forwarded by my secretary to me at Sitka, Alaska, which it reached after I had left that place. It was returned to me at Washington, D. C., where it was safely received this morning.

I notice that you neglected to endorse the check and consequently I return it for such endorsement.

I am sorry for the hail-storm and rust that cut off your crops.

Trusting that you are in usual health, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

November 27, 1901.

Mr. Eugene McWaine,

Bradford, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please accept thanks for a complimentary copy of your book "The Golden Land of the Mid-night Sun" which was awaiting my recent return from Alaska. I saw for a part of an afternoon, a copy in Nome, and upon a number of occasions since have taken pains to recommend it to people seeking information in that direction. Since my return a copy has been ordered at my request by the United States Bureau of Education for the reference library.

If you have occasion to get out a second edition of teh work, and will inform me in advance, I will send you a better electrotype of myself as my wife is ashamed of the one I sent you before.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

November 27, 1901.

S. Foster & Co.,
#26 California Street,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

Yours, of the 21st, is received, and I note what you say with regard to the ivory. I am not impatient for its immediate sale, but simply wanted to hear if anything had been done. The armor you can do up and express to the Rev. R. G. McNeice, D.D., 1248 Blaine Avenue, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Hoping that you are well, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Please prepay Express Charges to Salt Lake and send bill for same to me

S. J. A. R. C.

November 30, 1901.

Mrs. John Emerson,

Titusville, Pennsylvania.

My dear Friend:

I have now returned from Alaska for the winter, and am anxious to know what success the ladies of the Presbytery of Erie have had in collecting funds for the College at Salt Lake City. Did the Rev. Mr. McCreery visit you last summer? If so, let me know why he did not raise any money? Did he make the attempt?

With kind regards to your husband, children, and parents, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

November 30, 1901.

Mrs. D. F. Diefenderfer,
#415 Chestnut Street,
Erie, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Diefenderfer:

I have now returned from Alaska for the winter, and am anxious to know what success the ladies of the Presbytery of Erie have had in collecting funds for the College at Salt Lake City. Did the Rev. Mr. McCreery visit you last summer? If so let me know why he did not rasie any money? Did he make the attempt?

With kind regards to your husband, and your mother, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

November 30, 1901.

Rev. R. G. McNeice, D. D.,
#1248 Blaine Avenue,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Doctor McNeice:

Your letter, so full of information, is received. Mr. Quincey Eaton has been absent in Mississippi ever since my return so I have not yet got a statement of the finances of the College from this end of the line.

I am happy to be able to send you towards your salary a check of $100.°° from my wife. She insists that it must go towards your salary. Kindly send her a receipt for the same. I enclose my own check for $100.°° to the Treasurer of the College as a special donation also towards the salaries of the teachers, if you consider that the most pressing at the present time. I wish I were in a condition to multiply that many times.

If Mr. Bailey comes East after the Holidays, I hope he will make his arrangements to visit Washington and confer with General Eaton and myself concerning plan of work, arrangement of meetings, etc., etc., I shall write Mrs. Emerson to ascertain what is being done or why nothing is being done in Erie Presbytery. I greatly admire the pluck of yourself and Professor Sweazy in standing by the institution under so many discouragements. My wife and myself in our contributions are trying to share with you in your self denials, as our giving will deprive us of many things which would add greatly to our comfort. We feel as you do that it is the Lord's work and when he has tested us sufficiently will raise up the means for placing the institution on its feet.

I find, however, that the time never comes in the history of an institution when they are not pressed for need of funds, even Princeton and Yale feel the pressure.

With kind regards, I remain,

Yours truly,
Sheldon Jackson
General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

2 Enclosures

S. J.　　　　　　A. R. C.

November 30, 1901.

Mrs. John H. Devore,
Corry, Pennsylvania.

My dear Friend:

Yours of October 15th is received and I am much pleased to hear of your welfare, although sorry to hear that you are out of the work of the Woman's Mission Board. I note your intimation that if any churches of Washington desire lectures on Mormonism you can supply them during January. I doubt, however, whether there will be an application as the Washington Presbyterial Societies are accustomed to confer with the Woman's Board for their speakers.

Wishing you a pleasant holiday season, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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A. R. C.

December 2, 1901.

Mrs. J. H. Devore,

#823 North 24th Street,

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Devore:

I wrote you a few days ago at Corry. I do not consider it wise for me to try to get up any meetings for you in Washington, at least in connection with the Presbyterian Churches. If any of the other denominations apply to me for a speaker on the Utah country, I will give them your name with pleasure.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

(COPY)

Neah Bay, Washington,

November 26, 1901.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson,

Washington, D. C.

ear Sir:

Mrs. W. S. Ladd of Portland, wanted me to write you about the site for a Mission Sottage and Reading Room here. Before getting her letter I had written Mr. Chas. H. Dickson a Presby. in the Indian service. I have gotten no reply, I suppose he is out of town. As Mrs. Ladd is very anxious to have it settled perhaps you will kindly see about it if Mr. Dickson has not done so. All the village and near surrounding country except 1 where the Post Trader has house and garden, is claimed by the Indians so I wrote the Department through Mr. Morse, Agent, asking them if they would set aside half an acre for our use if donated by an Indian. a copy of this I sent to Mrs. Ladd in which I asked to buy. I did not intend this to be sent in to the Department but for some reason it went. The answer I received through the Agent spoke only of the buying and said it could not be done but I could choose a bit of unclaimed land and have it set aside. There is no unclaimed land I know of near the village. I do ot care how far I go for my own home but a Reading Room would be useless there. Knowing Indian law perhaps you can tell me what to do. Some of them have two lots in the village and one of them is willing to give us alf an acre of an unoccupied piece he has. Of course we will make him a resent in return but that will not be buying. Please advise me if it is ossible to accept such an offer. The Agent will give no help because he oes not want me here. By hindering the schemes of him and his father-in-aw the Post Trader I have incurred their enmity and they have tried in vai to get rid of me. One Indian said to another the other day "There's one Mr. Draper and Mr. Morse can't run --- Miss Clark. She's too much for them

A piece of Scotch granite is hard to crush. They have tried in every way to keep the Indians from attending the services, have boycotted m &c., but still I am here. A sentence I read yesterday expresses my position better than I can put it: "It is a great thing to stand in the midst of persecution and opposition, and to know in your heart that while men revile, and doubt, and reproach you, God believes in you, God has chosen yo God has appointed you, and were every man and woman in the world a devil ten times over you would stand unmoved." God sent me here. He stands by me, never hides His face and whatever comes I will not go till He gives me marching orders. I have been happy through it all --- have hardly known a dark hour. I am to be envied not pitied for His strength is made perfect in my weakness. My heart has been sore however for one of the Indians who has stood by my right through. You know how hard it is for an Indian to bear ridicule. He has done everything to please the government party but they will not be pleased, and do all they can to keep him from getting an extra penny. He is an educated, progressive hard-working man. He was Primary teacher last year but gave it up expecting to get the P.S. place for he heard his license was not renewed. He would not accept their terms and was cast out. The Agent expects to be replaced by a man who will act as both doctor and agent and he says if he cannot get another place under government he wants the P.S. place himself. If he gets another position he wants to keep his father-in-law there. The Agent's ather-in-law Mr. Draper had the contract to supply meat for the govern- t last year. This Indian Chestoque Peterson brought it ready dressed to . for six cents a pound. Mr. D. weighed and turned to government for

When Mr. D. did not get license this year Mr. Peterson asked

Agent for contract. He said he was not going to get meat for the old people this year. A little later he heard he had given the contract to a white man at Port Angeles. This same white man used to come on the Res. and buy up all the cattle at his own price till Mr. Peterson took the business from him. It is supposed he gives a bonus. It seems so ridiculous for the government to pay to have meat sent here when Peterson is shipping every week either dead or alive. The cutting of the wood was given to a white man Agent said the Indians would not have it done in time for there was only two months but the white man is still at it and five months have gone. He would have to pay the Indians in full. I hope both Agent and Post Trader will be removed and a new set come for their influence over the Indians is not good. They have no word for truth and they stoop to things others would disdain to touch.

Yours in the Master's Service,

(signed) Helen W. Clark.

Please address 131 Market St., Seattle, Washongton.

c/o Rev. D. D. Ross.

The P.S. keeps to [illegible] and it is not safe for me to get a letter

Mr. Washington. It will be forwarded promptly.

H.W.C.

Or you could write directly to Mr. Ladd.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 3, 1901/

Mr. Ward Thoron,

#1405 "G" Street,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Yours of December 1st, with check is safely received.

Please accept thanks.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

S. J. A. R. C.

December 3, 1901.

Northwestern Investment Co.,
Endicott Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Yours, of November 20th, with check in payment of Schmid mortgage with interest on the same is received with thanks.

Very truly yours,
Sheldon Jackson

S. J. A. R. C.

December 3, 1901.

Mr. A. F. Pinkham,
Absaraka, North Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Yours, of November 30th, with check is received. Please accept thanks for the same.

With kind regards to your family, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 3, 1901.

Mr. Everett Sisson,
Publisher, "Interior",
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Sisson:

Yours, of November 30th, is received. I thank you for the copies of the "Interior" which you have promised to send me.

Thanking you for sending my letter concerning Dr. Gray to Mrs. Gray, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 3, 1901.

Mrs. Michael A. Healy,
C/o S. Foster & Co.,
#26 California Street,
San Francisco, California.

My dear Mrs. Healy:

I send you under separate cover a number of pictures of Madonnas which I have been saving for some time. How does your Madonna Scrap-Book get along? It must run into two or three volumes by this time.

Veru truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

S. J.

A. R. C.

December 4, 1901.

Hon. William M. Lanning,
Trenton, New Jersey.

My dear Judge Lanning:

Accept thanks for a copy of the pamphlet "Judicial Commissions" just received. I shall take great pleasure in reading it.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J.   A. R. C.

December 4, 1901.

Hon. John G. Brady,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Governor:

General Eaton informed me last evening that he had noticed in some paper that the people of Alaska were organizing a lobby to secure your removal. I think it is only newspaper talk. However, as there are a good many people that would like to accomplish that end, it is possible that they are proposing to try it with President Roosevelt. If you hear of any bona fide movement in that direction, ~~if you~~ and will let me know the particulars, I will try to rally your friends at Washington in your behalf.

Hoping that it is mere newspaper talk, I remain,

Very truly yours,

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 4, 1901.

Mr. J. M. Pickens,
1409 New York Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

It will add much to the interest of the address to the Christian Endeavor Union on Monday night next, if you will have my map of Alaska hung back of the platform, and yet within reach of a pointer.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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December 6, 1905.

My dear Mr. Karlson:

In the summer of 1900, when I was on the BEAR, I visited Unalaklik and left with Dr. Gambell two large walrus tusks to be carved or etched by some native of Unalaklik who was exceptionally good in that work. I do not remember the native's name. Last summer when I was at Port Clarence Dr. Gambell told me that the tusks had been finished, but I neglected to make arrangements to have them sent to me. They were to cost if I remember correctly $10.00. If you can get on the track of these tusks and have them sent to Dr. Call at Nome, telling him they are for me, he will pay the bill and I will be very much obliged to you.

Yours very truly,

My dear Mr. [illegible]:

In the summer of 1907 when I was on the BEAR, I visited Unalaklik and left with Mr. [illegible] two large walrus tusks to be carved or etched by some native of Unalaklik who was exceptionally good at that work. I do not remember the native's name. Last summer when I was at Port Clarence Mr. [illegible] told me that the tusks had been finished, but I neglected to make arrangements to have them sent to me. They were to cost if I remember $20.00. If you can get on the track of these tusks and have them sent to Mr. Call at Nome, telling him they are for me, he will pay the bill and I will be very much obliged to you.

Yours very truly,

S. J. A. R. C.

December 9, 1901.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 3rd, inviting me to deliver an address to the Mount Pleasant Congregational Church, is received and I will hold Thursday evening, December 19th, as the date. I will bring a cloth map about 12 x 14 feet in size, which I would like hung where I can reach it with a pointer from the platform.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

S. J. A. E. C.

December 5, 1901.

Dr. Charles L. Thompson,
Secretary, Board of Home Missions,
#156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 4th, designating 2:30 P.M., Tuesday afternoon for an interview at your rooms, is received. I am under engagements to speak at New Haven Tuesday evening. You know the running of trains between New York and New Haven better than I do. If that will enable me to reach New Haven in time to get something to eat before speaking, that will do. If not, kindly change it to Tuesday morning or until Thursday afternoon at 2:30 P. M., when I will be on my return trip from New Haven.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 3, 1901.

Rev. Josiah McClain,

#1145 Blaine Avenue,

Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Brother:

Yours of November 27th, is received and it will give me pleasure to comply with the request of the Trustees, to audit+ the College accounts in Washington.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

+ Will do it about Jan 1st 1902

S. J.   A. R. E.

December 5, 1901.

Secretaries of the Woman's Board of Home Missions,

156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Friends:

I expect to be at your rooms on Tuesday forenoon, December ~~[illegible]~~ 10th, ready to answer questions to the best of my ability.

Please inform Mrs. James.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Since writing the above, a letter from Dr Thompson says 2.30 P.M. on the 10th

S. J. A. R. C.

December 6, 1901.

Messrs. Hawley & Huntley,
Room 14 Hailer Building,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Yours of November 29th, with enclosures is safely received. Please accept thanks for the same. You are correct in thinking that I supposed Mr. Hawley was Mr. A. L. Hawley whom I knew in connection with Mayor Woods.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Whether to return the real Estate to Mayor Wood, or market it in my own name I leave to your judgement - If you can make more for me by selling it piecemeal, please do so - As I ought to be able to cancel the losses we have had in the street improvement warrants

S. J. A. R. C.

December 6, 1901.

Mrs. Carl Foster,
#730 Noble Street,
Bridgeport, Connecticut.

My dear Neice:

I am to give an address in New Haven on Wednesday afternoon, the 11th. I do not know where it is to be given, but you can find out the place and the time, by writing Mrs. Sarah T. Kinney, #1162 Chapel Street, New Haven, Connecticut. I think I will be able to come to Bridgeport and spend the night with you all provided you have a "prophet's" chamber that you can make comfortably warm. I am to speak in New York on the next day. If it should not be convenient for you to receive me, please write me to that effect, either at Washington or C/o Mrs. Kinney in New Haven.

With kind remembrances to Mr. Foster, I remain,

Your Uncle,

Sheldon

S. J. A. R. C.

December 7, 1901.

Mrs. George P. Haskell,
New Milford, Connecticut,

My dear Madam:

Yours of December 3rd, with reference to Miss Wiig, is received. I am very glad to hear of Miss Wiig's whereabouts in this country as she was very kind to me when I was a stranger at her father's house in Lapland. I take pleasure in mailing her a copy of my last reindeer report which you and your daughter will of course have the privelege of reading. With regard to going to Alaska. I would not advise you and your daughter to go there with the expectation of remaining or attempting to find something to do, I do not think the country is sufficiently settled for that. There are a large number of women that went expecting to make fortunes in a few months, but found themselves stranded, and were compelled to take positions in restaurants, put up with all kinds of annoyances and some of them be brought home as paupersby Government ships. A number of women by striving for positions of course cheapens labor and wages and some of them are able barely to keep body and soul together not getting sufficient money ahead to pay they return passage to their friends.

If you simply desire to go for a tourist trip you will enjoy it very much, particularly if you take the trip from Seattle to Sitka and Skagway. That is a pleasanter trip than the one from Seattle to Nome. I would not advise Miss Wiig's going until she hears from her brother that he is ready to receive her, as he might be so situated that he would have no cabin or home into which to take her.

I expect to give an address on "Missions in Alaska" in New Haven next Wednesday (December 11) in the afternoon. I do not know how far your place is from New Haven. If it is close enough for you and your daughter and Miss Wiig to attend, I will be glad to see you. A letter addressed to Mrs. Sarah T. Kinney #1162 Chapel Street, New Haven, Connecticut, will secure for you the time and information of the hour and place.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S.J.   A. R. C.

December 7, 1901.

Mr William A. Kjellmann,

Mount Horeb, Wisconsin.

My dear Mr. Kjellmann:

Can you give me the Post Office address of Mr. Jafet Lindeberg or Magnus Kjelsberg in the states. Mr. Lindeberg told me that he expected to spend the winter out of Alaska, and would probably visit Washington. I desire very much to get into correspondence with him or Magnus. There is a mail ~~four~~ 8 times this winter that leaves Seattle on the 5th and 25th of each month for Nome and intervening points, by way of the Alaska Peninsula, and across the Nushugak and Kuskokwim to St. Michael.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Educatinn

in Alaska.

S. J.   A. R. C.

December 9, 1901.

Mrs. William Thaw,

P. O. Box 1086,

Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Thaw:

Yours of December 4th, enclosing a letter from Rev. George Bailey, and your response to the same is received. In accordance with your request I return Mr. Bailey's letter to you. When I get over to New York I will try to get at the bottom of things with reference to the Board's purposes with regard to the college at Salt Lake City. I have no fears as to the ultimate success of that institution. With my intimate knowledge of the needs of the Home Mission work from Mexico tp Alaska I am thoroughly convinced that there is no such urgent work under the Home Missions. ~~The~~ And that urgency ~~of the work~~ will secure its success in time. Our present struggle ~~preliminary,~~ however, would be much less severe if the Board would do its duty in that matter, but Board or no Board we will keep at work, as long as we live to secure its establishment and when, perhaps, our patience and faith has been sufficiently tried, friends will be raised up for us either inside or outside of the Board.

I had a hard trip this last summer owing to the fact that the Revenue Cutter BEAR was detained by the machinists strike on Puget Sound until July. However, I made the usual visit to St. Lawrence Island, and feel much encouraged by my impressions of Dr. Edgar O. Campbell and his wife, of whom I saw considerable during the two weeks I stopped at Teller Reindeer Station. He had been preparing himself as a medical missionary for Siam, but when the call came for Alaska, as at the time there did not seem to be an opening in Siam, he accepted the position at St. Lawrence Island;afterwards he received an appointment from the Foreign Board to Siam but was willing, and did go to Alaska instead.

I had a letter from him sent down by a whaler in October in which they seem quite cheerful at the opening of their Sub-Arctic winter.

With kind regards to your family, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 9, 1901.

Mr. Walter R. Herrick,
#81 Chapel Street,
Albany, New York.

Dear Cousin:

Yours, of the 5th, concerning Mr. James Sullivan, is received. I have probably met Mr. Sullivan many times, but do not remember him. A friend of mine who is a Lieutenant in the United States Cutter Service and who knows Mr. Sullivan well, says in a general way that he is untruthful and unreliable. I have personally been at Unalaska for the 11 years past, and have known of claims for gold mines in that neighborhood. Different parties have put money in without getting any out. My advise to you is neither to have anything to do with Mr. Sullivan or anyone else who proposes to sell mines in Unalaska. This Eastern country is full of "grafters" who are trying to impose on capitalists. Any Eastern capitalist that will invest in an Alaskan gold mine without first sending out one of their members to investigate on the ground, deserve to lose their money, which the majority of them are doing. Alaska has a large number of valuable gold mines and there are more to be found, but there are still larger numbers that are trying to be foisted ~~onto~~ upon the Eastern public. Please do not use my name in giving out this information.

Remember me kindly to your mother and sister,

Very truly yours,

A. R. C.

S. J.

December 9, 1901.

Rev. George B. Stewart, D. D.,
C/o Rev. T. L. Hamlin,
#1306 Connecticut Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Doctor Stewart:

Since speaking with you on Saturday evening with reference to an address before ths students at Auburn, I find that it will be desirable for me to secure the first meeting of the Mission Society after the students return after their holiday recess. If they have already engaged a speaker for that particular meeting it is probable that I had better take another Monday evening of that same month. There are possible complications after January that may prevent my coming at all this season.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J.　　　　　　　　　　　A. R. C.

December 13, 1901.

Mr. William E. Dodge,
#99 John Street,
New York.

My dear Mr. Dodge:

Please accept thanks for the kind letter of introduction to President Roosevelt which you wrote on the 11th, and especially for your kind and full endorsement of Governor Brady. I will take an early opportunity of presenting the letter in person.

Again thanking you for your interest in the matter, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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S. J.   A. R. C.

December 13, 1901.

Rev. H. H. McCreery,
C/o Mrs. Ellen Watson,
Murdoch Street, Ave., A,
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

My dear Brother:

When you can find time I will be very glad to have a letter from you letting me know what you are trying to do, and how you are succeeding for the College and for the Constitutional amendment. I hope you will be able to keep up your courage and enthusiasm in the many discouragements that come to a man who is trying to raise money.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 13, 1901.

Hon. George F. Seward,

Fidelity and Casualty Co.,

#97 Cedar Street, New York.

Dear Sir:

Please accept thanks for a copy of your pamphlet on "Public Service as a Career".

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 13, 1901.

Mr. C. A. Black,
Seattle Hardware Company,
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mr. Black:

Upon the receipt of your former letter I went in person to the Post Master General, and explained to him how well you had carried out your former contract. I, also, tried to impress him that the run up Kasaan Bay should be in day-light.

Yours of December 5th, enclosing letter to Mr. Shallenberger is received and the letter mailed to him. I did not think it was necessary to again endorse the letter as I had seen him so recently on the same subjedt. I hope you will secure the contract. I have just been to New Haven, and met with the share-holders of the Copper Queen on Kasaan Bay. I was glad to hear that they were doing so much of their business in Seattle through your firm. I hope you are looking around for a reasonable rate of freight for the supplies for the schools in Bering Sea next summer.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 13, 1901.

Messrs. S. Foster & Co.,
#26 California Street,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find my check for $2.75 for express charges on the armor sent Dr. McNeice, Salt Lake City, Utah. Please sign and return to me the enclosed receipt.

Please accept thanks for the trouble of caring for the armor.

Yours of the 7th, concerning freight for next year to Alaska is also received.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

(COPY)

William E. Dodge,
New York.

Dec. 11/01

99 John Street.

My Dear President Roosevelt,

May I introduce to your kind attention Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson of Alaska, of whose character and work you know so much.

I am earnestly hoping you will listen to his statement in regard to my valued friend Gov. Brady of Alaska.

Originally a poor boy in the streets of New York Gov. Brady fought his way through Yale College and in all his various Western experiences has shown an ability, courage and splendid moral quality which you would greatly admire.

The politicians, speculators and parties with private interests do not like his straightforward~~ness~~, manly course and are endeavoring to supplant him.

I am sure you will give full consideration to the matter before making a change which would be so disastrous to the interests of that new and growing territory.

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W. E. Dodge.

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Very Sincerely yours,

W. E. Dodge.

S. J.   A. R. C.

December 18, 1901.

Mr. H. C. Olin,
#156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Sir:

Much obliged for your note and search for my lost memorandum book. It has not yet turned up anywhere. I have not had time to write you the letter concerning Governor Brady's expenses for churches, but have not forgotten it.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 18, 1901.

Northwestern Investment Co.,
Endicott Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sirs:

Yours with tax receipt received. I have been unable to find among my papers abstract of title for lot 1, Block 3, Weides Second Addition. I will look still further for it.

In the search for this paper I have found the abstract of title to the Clarkin property which I enclose, although probably it is too late to be of service to you.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

S. J. A. R. C.

December 18, 1901.

Mr. F. la Roche, Photographer,

Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sir:

If you have the negative of my photograph kindly print and mail to me with bill, one half dozen copies.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

S. J. A. R. C.

December 18, 1901.

Mr. A. S. Calder,
#337 South Broad St.,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Calder:

Your letter of the other day is received. I have no objection to your exhibiting my bust in the coming Philadelphia exhibition, provided you eradicate that second or lower deep notch on my nose. You remember I called your attention to it the time I was giving sittings. You had made two dents across the upper part of the nose. The upper is natural and should remain. The lower one is made by the cutting in of my spectacles during long years, and does not belong to the bust that is without spectacles. I find in the photograph which was received in Alaska, of the bust, that that deep cut was left at the time the photograph was taken. I shall have to insist that it be taken out before the bust is cast in bronze. That being the case it is better to do it now before it is placed on exhibition.

I am waiting to have the bronze cast made until an order comes from Alaska, then the two can be made at the same time. What hours are you usually in your studio? I may possibly come over to Philadelphia in the not distant future.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

S. J.　　　　　　　　　　A. R. C.

December 18, 1901.

Mrs. Sarah T. Kinney,
#1162 Chapel Street,
New Haven, Connecticut.

My dear Mrs. Kinney:

The rubbers have safely arrived. Thanks for your kindness. I have turned over your letter to the Rev. Issac Whittimore, who is now in Washington in the interests of the Pima Indians, and have asked him to correspond with regard to the matter. He can answer all your questions. I have, also, asked him to correspond with Mrs. Coe on the same subject.

With kind regards to your brother, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J.　　　　　　　　　　　A. R. C.

December 18, 1901.

Mr. M. M. Overholser,
Room 430, 170 Summer Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Sir:

I cannot be sure that the Mr. John J. Smith that you inquire about is the same man who came to Sitka a few years ago and helped me erect a grout house for the Alaska Society of Natural History or whether it is a editor that went from Providence, Rhode Island to Sitka, and has since been engaged in mining. If it is either of these two gentlemen, my impressions of them were favorable. I know nothing out of the way and would trust them. At the same time it is some years since I have met them.

With kind regards to your wife, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 18, 1901.

Rev. Henry C. Minton, D.D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Dr. Minton:

I have understood that Mr. Robert Pitcairn who you appointed Vice-Moderator of the last General Assembly is a warm personal friend of Mr. Carnegie. In these days when Mr. Carnegie seems to be at loss to get rid of his fortune, and is giving money so lavishly, the "Sheldon Jackson College," of Salt Lake City, Utah, the only Christian College of ~~that~~ any denomination within 700 miles of Salt Lake City, wishes to make application for $25,000.°° for a library building. We hitherto have been unable to get the ear of Mr. Carnegie, and if you can give me a letter to Mr. I will open correspondence with him, and if I find him willing to approach Mr. Carnegie or secure myself an audience, I will go on to Pittsburg for that purpose.

In ~~all~~ your addresses on the Twentieth Century movement I hope that you will remember ~~that institution~~ the above College in the days of its commencement and extreme weakness. It is, however, the mustard seed that in the providence of God will play no unimportant part in the struggle that awaits this country with Mormonism. If your attention has not been called to it I assure you it is one of the ~~[illegible]~~ burning questions of the day, and unless throttled in the next few years may lead to the next war in this country. What Roberts' College at Constantinople and the college at Bayreut are doing to raise up a generation of men that shall assert themselves and secure liberty in the future ~~in these~~ of those Oriental lands, our Christian College at Salt Lake will do in the midst of that people. If you are willing kindly send me a letter of introduction to Mr. Pitcairn

Rejoicing that you have come to the Moderatorship in this important year, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

S. J. A. R. C.

December 19, 1901.

Mrs. Tillie Paul,

Industrial School,

Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Friend:

After some correspondence and a visit over to New York I have secured the following information concerning your coming East. Col. Pratt will give you $25.°° a month for the second place, ~~[illegible]~~ in the sewing-room. Your board would be $3.°° a week for the first 14 weeks and after that $2.50 per week. This position of assistant seamstress you can have at any time. In new York I had a conference with the ladies concerning it and they urged me to write Mrs. Shepard and see if she would not pay your board and lodging in the Margaret Louise Home, New York City. They would then arrange by which you could give addresses at some of the Woman's Home Missionary meetings in various churches on your work and experience in Alaska. They would also arrange for yo to take lessons a portion of the time in domestic science and other kindred topics that would help you in the Alaska work. I have written Mrs. Shepard but have as yet received no answer. If she declines to grant our request, then the only thing left will be to accept Col. Pratt's offer.

As soon as I find anything definite I will let you know.

Hoping that you will have a pleasant Christmas, I remain,

Very truly yours, Sheldon Jackson

S. J. A. R. C.

December 21, 1901.

Rev. William T. Logan, D.D.,
#706 Van Buren Street
Wilmington, Delaware.

My dear Doctor:

Yours of December 19th with reference to the Mission Meetings in New Castle Presbytery, is received. I greatly regret to state that I have a previous engagement in the churches of Auburn for the Jan 12th and with the Theological Seminary for the 13th but trust that you can so rearrange your schedule of meetings that I can commence at Newark or Elkton on Tuesday evening the 14th. I would then be able to give the 19th to Wilmington instead of the 12th, and the 20th to either Newark or Elkton, whichever was omitted on the 14th, and, if necessary to Salisbury on the 21st, but would like to return home to Washington on the 21st, if possible. Again on the 19th I will not be able to speak to the Sabbath School, as I am compelled by my strength and years to limit myself to two addresses a day.

Please write me at once if this arrangement is satisfactory.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 21, 1901.

Mrs. John H. DeVore,
#323 North 24th Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. DeVore:

Your characteristic letter of the 17th is at hand and read with much interest. I have no doubt that you are having interesting meetings and that you are doing good, and I have no fear of the presentation of the truth on the Mormon question. At the same time my judgment was that it was not necessary for you to come to Washington on that errand as the Interdenominational Society is sending one and another here to hold meetings under their auspices on the same question. You can accomplish more good elsewhere so I frankly declined to try to get up any meetings Partially because I have not time for it, and partially because I did not consider it wise. Shall I send report of Education in Alaska to you at Philadelphia or at Corry.

Wishing you a pleasant Christmas, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

December 19, 1901.

Mr. Norris Gunton-Temple,

Pocopson, Chester County, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 12th is received. In reply to your question: my impressions are that the Court set no price upon the property which was turned over to the Trustees of Sheldon Jackson College. I remember that the impression was fastened upon my mind at the timé that if the executors should place the property on the market for sale it would realize but little over the amount necessary to settle with the heirs, but if the property could be kept intact until real estate advanced in Washington there would probably be enough left after paying the heirs to build the Gunton-Temple Memorail Church in accordance with the request.

It was with this expectation and hope that the Trustees of the College with the approbation of the Board of Home missions assumed the responsibility of carrying out the provisions of the will of Mrs. Temple. In order to do this they borrowed the entire amount that was necessary for the payment, in full, of the heirs and are now trying to nurse the property in such a way that they can repay the money borrowed, principle and interest, from the estate, and have sufficient to build the Memorial Church on the grounds of the College for the use of the students of the institution and the neighboring community. Nothing has been done

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as yet towards the erection of the church, simply because the rents secured from the property have been used up in placing the property in repair and in paying the interest on the money borrowed to settle with the heirs. The College is living in the hope that in the not very distant future they may be able to erect said church.

If you have, at any time, occasion to visit Washington, I wish you would hunt me up. I would be very glad to make your acquaintance and interest you in the College with which your Aunt's name will be so closely linked.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Money received August 10, 1899, from the U. S. War Department, per Sheldon Jackson for the payment of employees and other expenses at Eaton Reindeer Station, 1898-99.

War Department Checks.

John Andersen	$156.34
Ole Rapp	156.34
Lauritz Stefansen	156.34
Samuel Balto	187.60
Peder Johannesen	156.34
Alfred Nilima	156.34
Ole Berg	156.34
John Johannesen	156.34
J. A. Rauna	156.34
Samuel Josefsen	156.34
Otto Greiner	156.34
Bereth Eira	156.34
Ole Krogh	31.24
Ole Olesen	156.34
Karl O. Suhr	156.34
Iver Vest	202.62
Hans Sacariansen	156.34
Hilmar Hansen	156.34
Jeremias Abrahamsen	156.34
Nils Klemetsen	156.34
Wm. Basi	156.34
Rolf Wiig	156.34
Amund Hansen	156.34
Th. Kjelsberg	156.34
M. Kjelsberg	234.50
Ole Stensfjeld	234.50
Emil Kjelsberg	156.34
Lauritz Larsen	402.°°
Peder Berg	156.34
Regnor Dahl	156.34
Anders Johnsen	225.°°
J. P. Johannesen	156.34
O. Paulsen	142.34
Isak Hatta	166.°°
	156.34.
	$5734.30
Brought forward	$5734.30
Isak Nikkila	156.34
Mathis Klemetsen	156.34
Ole K. Hatta	156.34
Eaton Station bills against Johan S. Tornensis	139.90
Ditto for M. J. Nikkila	183.66
	$6526.88

Money received from the U. S. War Department per Sheldon Jackson, and paid by William A. Kjellmann to employees &c, at Eaton Reindeer Station, Alaska, 1898-1899.

Paid to Dr. Jackson - June,1898, Excess of Government freight to Eaton Reindeer Station-	-$59.80
Aug. 30, 1898, Express charges on $882.°° silver coin from Seattle to Eaton	18.°°
May 4, 1899, Fifty lbs lead	4.25
July 29, Cash paid on order of J. P. Stalorgo	3.°°
Ditto on order of O. J. Pulk,	44.68
Aug. 1, Cash paid on order of J. E. Hatta on salary-	17.°°
Aug. 28, Cash to balance W.A.Kjellmann's account with the government-	6.67
Aug. 29, Ditto balance on R. Dahl's account-	9.35
Aug. 10, Paid salaries of Laplanders:	
Samuel Balto	112.20
John Andersen-	120.79
Otto Greiner	176.92
Iver Vest-	191.15
Ole Olsen-	76.93
H. Samuelsen	118.85
A. Johnsen	98.96
J. S. Rauna-	-119.63
Ole Berg	128.47
Beret Eira	30.74
Ole Krogh-	108.°°
Karl O. Suhr	231.89
K. Sacarisen	89.08
Rolf Wiig-	80.20
	$1846.56

Forward	-$1846.56
M. Kjelsberg	191.05
Th. Kjelsberg-	173.97
Ole Stensfjeld	97.99
H. hansen-	83.75
P. Johannesen-	192.68
S. Josefsen-	163.38
Wm. Basi	132.10
O. Paulsen	145.06
Ole Rapp	74.83
J. Abrahamsen-	384.79
L. Stefansen	133.80
Nils Klemetsen	147.35
Alfred Nilima-	163.31
Emil Kjelsberg	546.75
Amiund Hansen-	177.69
Lauritz Larsen	165.47
Peder Berg	178.89
Regnor Dahl-	190.42
Fredrik Larsen	175.°°
J.P.J.Stalorgo	136.69
M. Klemetsen	184.66
Isak Hatta	154.95
Ole K. Hatta	181.80
J.M.Johannesen	11.78
Isak Nakkila	184.66
J. O. Pulk	22.33
Per J. Hatta	111.66
Anders A. Bar-	111.66
Otto M. Leinan	40.°°
Marit Eira	22.33
	$6527.36

SUMMARY.

Received from the War Department	-$6527.88
Paid to employees etc	6527.36
Balance	.48

Received and paid the above,

Superintendent of Reindeer Stations.

December 26, 1.

Miss S. Catherine Rue,

Literature Department, Board of Home Missions,

156 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

My dear Friend:

Yours of the 24th is received and it will give me pleasure to prepare new facts about Alaska between now and spring. If not too much trouble about once in every two weeks drop me a postal to remind me of it.

Thanks for the Prayer Calendar just received.

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

December 26, 1.

Rev. William H. Logan, D.D.
706 Van Buren Street,
Wilmington, Delaware.

Dear Brother:

Yours of the 24th is received. I will probably go direct to Newcastle, on the 15th unless in changing trains I have time enough at Wilmington to call at your house. Possibly if I pass through Wilmington it may be comvenient to you to meet me at the depot in case I do not have time to come to the house.

I have not yet found the Circulars that I was to send you.

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

December 26 1

Rev. E. A. [illegible]

[illegible], Idaho.

Please accept thanks for a copy of the minutes of the Synod of Washington, received.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

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December 26 1.

Mr. Alex. S. Calder,
537 South Broad Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 21st is received and you can allow the Bust to remain as it is until after the Exhibition, in accordance with your request.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 26, 1901.

Lieutenant D. H. Jarvis,
1205 New Hampshire Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Jarvis:

In going over my papers I find that on August 7th, 1899, I paid you for barter supplies $7.73. Further down on the page without date is another entry as follows:

"Paid D. H. Jarvis on reindeer barter goods $15.00"

This latter entry is without date and I have no receipt for it The payment on August 7th I find a receipt for. Will you kindly sign the enclosed receipt and return it to me, as I need it to complete my sub-vouchers for that summer. It was on the trip of 1899 when you were in command of the "Bear."

Hoping that you had a pleasant day yesterday, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

1 Enclosure.

Washington/ D. C.

December 26, 1901.

Mr. Regnor Dahl,

Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mr. Dahl:

In reply to yours of December 6th enclosing a copy of my letter I mail you my check for twenty-five dollars ($25.00). I also enclose a receipt for the same which you will please sign and return to me.

Hoping that the children are well and that you had a pleasant Christmas yesterday, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

January 1   2.

Rev. George Norcross, D.D.,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Brother:

A Happy New year to you and the family!

I have at St. Lawrence Island as assistant superintendent of the station, a saved sailor, the only one that escaped with his life from the wreck of a vessel last winter on the coast of that Island. He desires to devote his saved life to the evangelization and help of the heathen on the island. He has had no special education but is very anxious for a simple commentary that will help him understand the Bible better, and wished me to bring him next year some Christian books, at his expense. He specially mentioned a Concordance, Bible Dictionary, Commentary and Josephus.

I notice in the enclosed advertisement such books, and others of ten volumes for $10. Do you think that would be a good selection to make for him? I know nothing about the excellence of Fausset Encyclopedia, nor the Concise Cyclopedia of Religious Knowledge, nor Edersheim's Life and Times of Jesus. Please let me know what you think of this offer and return the advertisement to me.

I send you the annual report on Reindeer ~~of~~ for 1900. The report for 1900-01 has not yet been sent to the printing office, but hope this may soon be done.

Hoping to see you all at the Commencement early in February, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

January 1, 2.

Misses Willard,

Auburn, New York.

My dear Friends:

It is many years since I have had the privilege of visiting you in your home. The last time, your sainted father and good Dr. Kendall - who was with me - were both with us on earth.

I have been for some months hoping and praying for an opportunity to visit Auburn in order to have a good talk with you over the affairs of our Christian College in Utah. The Missionary Society of the Theological Seminary has invited me to make them an address on Monday evening, January 13th, - this brings me to Auburn, where I will probably arrive on Saturday afternoon of the 11th. Possibly Dr. Hubbard or some of the other pastors may wish me to give a mission address in their churches on Sabbath; if so I will be glad to do it. On Monday, if convenient to yourselves, I will be very glad to call and see you at your home. If you think it would accomplish anything for the Master I would be glad to hold a parlor meeting - say on Monday afternoon, in some one's parlor, at which the wealthier Presbyterians of Auburn might be invited to meet me. This would give me an opportunity of laying the claims of the College upon the hearts of those who are so situated in the matter of property that they can give to the ordinary causes of the Church, and yet have means to give in addition to special objects that commend themselves to their judgment.

Utah is now the storm center of home missions and the Mormon problem is assuming more and more importance every year, and gaining a stronger hold upon the republic. It is enlarging its boundaries, increasing its numbers, with the avowed purpose on the part of the Mormon leaders of destroying the republic and causing the Mormon hierarchy to take the place of Congress and govern the country on Mormon principles. The Church of God, and the ordinary American citizen is not awake to the danger, and the time has come when those that can, should put forth their utmost efforts to arouse the public and provide such methods that our Government , churches, and homes, may be saved.

Trusting that you are both in good health and looking forward with pleasure to meeting you again, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent &c.

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January 1 2.

Rev. William H. Logan, D.D.,
706 Van Buren Street,
Wilmington, Delaware.

Dear Brother:

Yours of the 24th is received. As soon as you definitely determine the places and dates at which I am to speak kindly let me know. As at present Utah and mormonism is the storm center of home missions and an address by me on that subject will call call out the work of the Home Board in that direction, and indirectly help the movement in behalf of a constitution amendment against polygamy, I have concluded to speak on that subject when I make only one address in a place. Therefore would suggest that announcement be made that I wil not speak on Alaska. On the other hand I do not wish to be announced as speaking on Mormonism for special reasons. In writing the Pastors , if you say anything about the subject, simply say that I will give an address on Home Missions. As soon as I learn where I am to speak I will probably write a similar letter to each of the Pastors.

Wishing you a happy new year, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

January 1 2.

Rev. William J. Rowan,

Newark, Delaware.

My dear Brother:

Yours of recent date has been received. Permit me to suggest that you do not announce to your people my subject as Alaska. To day, Utah and Mormonism form the storm center of Home Missions and a home mission address on mormonism and the Church's responsibility will not only help the Board of Home Missions but indirectly will help the effort to secure a constitutional amendment against polygamy. It therefore seems to me the most ~~special~~ important subject for me to take up at this time, but for special reasons I do not wish to have it announced to the public that I am to speak on Mormoniam. Simply announce me as to give a home mission address without giving the subject.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

January 1, 2.

Rev. John McElmoyle,

Dear Friend and Brother:

Yours of December 27th from Marietta is received. Permit me to suggest that you do not announce to your people my subject as Alaska. To day, Utah and Mormonism form the storm center of Home Missions, and a home mission address on Mormonism and the Church's responsibility will not only help the Board of Home Missions but indirectly help the effort to secure a constitutional amendment against polygamy. It therefore seems to me the most ~~special~~ important subject for me to take up at this time, but for special reasons I do not wish to have it announced to the public that I am to speak on Mormonism. Simply announce me as to give a home mission address without giving the subject

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

January 2, 1901.

Mr. Marion Laurence,

Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Friend:

Your New Year greeting is received with thanks. In return I send you advance sheets of the reports.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

January 2, 1902.

H. H. McKee,

National Capitol Bank,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I regret that I will be out of the city on the 14th, otherwise it would give me pleasure to attend the meeting of the stockholders. Enclosed find my proxy as requested.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

Enclosure

January 2, 1902.

Mr. Howard Kennedy,

Room 208 First National Bank Bldg.,

Omaha, Nebraska.

My dear Mr. Kennedy:

Please accept thanks for the neat card-case just received. Remember me kindly to your wife and son. It is good to hear from old friends again.

Wishing you a happy New Year, I remain,

Truly yours,
Sheldon Jackson

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January 2, 1902.

Rev. William H. Hubbard, D. D.,

Auburn, New York.

My dear Brother:

I have been invited to address the Missionary Society of the Seminary on Monday evening, January 13th, and will probably reach Auburn the previous Saturday afternoon. If you or any of the Presbyterian Pastors of the stronger churches of Auburn wish a missionary address on that day I can, if desired, speak twice.

Wishing you a Happy New Year, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

January 2, 1902.

Mrs. John L. Emerson,

Titusville, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Emerson:

Yours of December 9th was duly received, but I have been so busy over my report that I did not have time to answer it. I agree with you that the way to rasie money for the college is by individual effort and supposed that the ladies of your committee ~~will~~ would undertake that effort in their respective congregations in order that the interest which was created last summer may not be lost. If my health is spared I will be able to return to the Presbytery some time during the winter and hold three or four parlor meetings especially in Titusville, Erie, and Warren. The way to do, would probably be to have some family of wealth and position invite in the wealthier ~~ladies~~ Presbyterians (both Ladies & Gentlemen) of the city to their parlor and then I would have an apportunity to speak directly and secure what pledges it might be possible to secure at the time. Then if any individual present wished to see me at their own homes alone I could follow it up in that way.

I am not very well but the urgency is so great I will make this effort at any of these places where the ladies may wish it. I will write Mrs. Diefenderfer at Erie on the same subject. Remember me very kindly to your husband and the dear boys, also to your father-in-law's family and your mother when you write.

I called on your brother in Seattle and found him in good health.

Wishing you all a happy New Year, I remain,

Very truly, your friend,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

January 2, 1902.

Mrs. D. F. Diefenderfer,
#415 Chestnut Street,
Erie, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Diefenderfer:

Your letter of December 8th was received in due time, and should have been answered sooner but I have been pressed in my work on my accounts for the summer and the Annual Report which is to be sent to Congress next Monday. I very deeply sympathize with yourself and family in the affliction which has come upon your mother, but rejoice to believe that she has the constant presence and sustaining power of the Savior ~~with her~~ in her weakness and suffering. Please remember me very kindly to her.

With regard to College matters. Although not strong or well myself, yet I feel unwilling to give up trying to conserve some of the interest which was created by last winter's meetings and under the circumstances am willing to return to Erie Presbytery this ~~fall~~ winter, not to address the churches again, but to hold a few parlor meetings. For instance, let Mrs. Spencer the banker's wife or some other lady of wealth or social position invite into a parlor meeting some of the wealthier Presbyterian ladies + men of the city. Then I can address the meeting and make a direct appeal and try to secure such pledges as may be possible. Then if any one wishes to see me privately at their own homes I can call upon them. My plan if it meets with the approval of the ladies would be to hold such meetings at Erie, Titusville, and Warren, and, possibly one or two other points that you may suggest.

With kindly greetings to your family, and especially to your Mother I remain,

Truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J.

A. R. C.

January 3. 1902.

Mr. Amzi Smith,
Superintendent, Senate Dosument Room,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

Kindly mail me a copy of Lieut. D. H. Jarvis's expedition to the Arctic Ocean, 1897-1898 to reliewe the whalers ice imprisoned at Point Barrow, also, if you hawe it to spare, send me one copy each of the Introduction of Domestic Reindeer into Alaska for the years 1896-7-8-9 and 1900.

I enclose you penalty slips which will pay the postage on the same.

Thanking you in advance for your favor, I remain,

Wery truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

January 3, 2.

Rev. S. B. Wylie,

Newcastle, Delaware.

My dear Sir:

The Rev. W. H. Logan of Wilmington, Delaware, writes me that I am to address your people on the 15th instant, at Newcastle. Permit me to suggest that you do not announce to your people that my subject will be Alaska. To-day Utah and Mormonism is the storm center of home missions and a home mission address on Mormonism and the responsibility of the Churches will not only help the Board of Home Missions but indirectly will help the effort to secure a constitutional amendment against polygamy. It therefore seems to me the most ~~special~~ important subject for me to take up at this time; but for special reasons I do not wish to have it announced to the public that I am to speak on Mormonism. Simply announce me as to give a home mission address without giving the subject.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson.
General Agent, &c.

January 3, 2.

Rev. John Brown Turner,

Dover, Delaware.

My dear Sir:

The Rev. W. H. Logan of Wilmington, Delaware, writes me that I am to address your people on the 16th instant at Dover. Permit me to suggest that you do not announce to your people that my subject will be Alaska. To-day Utah and Mormonism is the storm center of home missions and a home mission address on Mormonism and the Church's responsibility will not only help the Board of Home Missions but will indirectly help the effort to secure a constitutional amendment against polygamy. It therefore seems to me the most ~~special~~ pertinent subject for me to take up at this time; but for special reasons I do not wish to have it announced to the public that I am to speak on Mormonism. Simply announce me as to give a home mission address without giving the subject.

Very respectfully yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

January 3 2.

Rev. Francis A. Moore, D.D.,
Middletown, Delaware .
My dear Sir:

The Rev. W. H. Logan of Wilmington, Delaware, writes me that I am to address your people on the 17th at Middletown, Del. Permit me to suggest that you do not announce to your people that my subject will be Alaska. To-day Utah and Mormonism is the storm center of home missions and a home mission address on mormonism and the Church's responsibility will not only help the Board of Home Missions but will indirectly help the effort to secure a constitutional amendment against polygamy. It therefore seems to me the most special subject for me to take up at this time, but for important special reasons I do not wish to have it announced to the public that I am to speak on Mormonism. Simply announce me as to give a home mission address without giving the subject.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent, &c.

January 3 2.

Hon. John K. Cowen,

General Counsel of theBaltimore & Ohio R. R. Company,

Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Mr. Cowen:

As you have so kindly in years past secured me from the General Passenger Agent a Clergyman,s half fare annual over the B. & O. I am encouraged to write you again for the year 1902.

Thanking you in advance for your helpfulness, and with kind remembrances to Mrs. Cowen, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

S. J. A. R. C.

January 4, 1902.

Mrs. S. L. Beiler,
Buffalo, New York.

My dear Mrs. Beiler:

I enclose you a letter from Col. Pratt and a Russo-Greek priest who wishes to visit and instruct the children sent from the Jesse Lee Home to Carlisle. There is no doubt but what the parents of the children requested the Bishop to take this step, but there is much doubt in my own mind whether the children themselves care to see the priest.

If you have anything to suggest or advise on the matter please address your letter to Col. Bratt, Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Wishing yourself and family a happy New Year, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

COPY

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Indian Industrial School,
Office of Superintendent,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania,

January 2, 1902.

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Commissioner of Education for Alaska,
Bureau of Education,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Doctor:

I enclose a letter from Rev. Jason A. Kappanafze, of Osceola Mills, Pa. On submitting the matter to the children, the following claim to be members of the Russian Orthodox Church:

Nikefer Shouchuk.	Wood Island.
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Peter Dobrovolsky	" "
Pariscovia Achachee	" "
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Maggie Madrigan	"
Helen Praties	"
Polly Tutikoff	"
Catharine Dyaknoff	"
Vera Wagner	"
Sophia Tetoff	"
Anna Reinken	"
Dora "	"
Olga "	"

Please advise me if you can whether this is correct. Some of them I think are from the Jessie Lee Home and are Methodists. I have informed the priest that we have possibly eight or ten, without giving names. So far as we are concerned we shall of course give him every opportunity to minister to their spiritual needs. Please return the letter.

Faithfully yours,
(signed) R. H. Pratt.

COPY

December 30, 1901.

The superintendent of the Carlisle
Indian School.

Dear Sir:

I have an order from my Bishop, the Rt/. Rev. Tichon Bellavin, 1715 Powell Street, San Francisco, California, to proceed to the Carlisle Indian School and give spiritual aid to the children of Russian Orthodox denomination, brought from Alaska. The Bishop had been informed and requested by their parents to send to the children some priest. In accordance with the order and parents' desire I ask you most kindly to inform me how many children of Russian Orthodox denomination there are in your institution and when they would like me to come.

Yours very truly,

(signed) Rev. Jason R. Kapppanadze,

R. O. Priest.

Oceola Mills, Pa.

January 4, 1902.

Mrs. James Mc Whinnie,

Tremont Temple, Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. McWhinnie:

I send you two copies of letters from Col. Pratt and the Greek priest whp wishes to visit and instruct the children which your Mission at Wood Island sent to Carlisle. I have no doubt about the fact that the parents or relatives asked the Bishop to send a priest to minister to them. I have grave doubts whether the young people themselves wish to see the priest. It is more than probably that certain ones among them are orphans that were picked up by your missions and that they have cut loose entirely from the Russo-Greek Church. If you have any comments or suggestions to make please write directly to Col. R. H. Pratt, Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

With New Year greetings, I remain,

Very truly yours,

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CAORPCY

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S. J.

A. R. C.

January 4, 1902.

Col. R. H. Pratt,
Superintendent, Indian Industrail School,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

My dear Colonel:

Your letter of January 2nd, enclosing a list of names of pupils from Wood Island and Unalaska, is received. The pupils from Wood Island were sent by the Baptist Mission at that place and the pupils at Unalaska are sent by the Methodist mission with the exception of the Reinken children the two missions defrayed all their expenses as far as Seattle.

While they came from the Protestant Missions yet their mothers and in some cases their fathers were members of the Russo-Greek Church in Alaska and all of the children as infants were baptised into the Russo-Greek Church. I do not know whether any of them have professed conversion to Protestantism or not. If they claim that they are members of the Greek Church and wish the services of a Greek Priest I do not know that any body has a right to prevent. I hope however that the religious influences of the school will bring the majority if not all of them to Christ before they return to Alaska. If then they desire to continue in the church of their fathers it is their right to do so.

Very truly yours,

Enclosure

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

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S. J. A. R. C.

January 6, 1902.

Col. R. H. Pratt,
Superintendent Indian Industrial School,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

My dear Colonel:

Since writing you on the 4th I have thought that it is only proper to add to what I wrote then, that some of these children that have been sent to Carlisle from Unalaska, and Wood Island are orphans that were deserted by their relatives, that were picked up and have been fed and clothed for some time by the Baptist or Methodist Mission that sent them. They were practically waifs although possibly their mother living and were taken by the missions as an act of humanity which is true of the majority of cases.

I send you and Mrs. Pratt a bound copy of the Reindeer Report which I hope you may find of interest.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education in Alaska.

S. J.　　　　　　　　　　　　A. R. C.

January 6, 1902.

Mr. F. La ROche, Photographer
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find my check for Two Dollars in payment for a half dozen photographs safely received this morning.

Thanking you for your promptness, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

2 Enclosures

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S. J. A. R. C.

January 6, 1902.

Miss Alice T. Hercus,
#419 Eleventh Street,
Washington, D. C.

Madam:

Your postal of the 3rd was received late Saturday night. I regret that I will be unable to address the Mission Band of the Sixth Church next Sabbath afternoon as I have a previous engagement at Auburn, New York; Sabbath January 26th is the first Sabbath that I am disengaged. If you wish that afternoon please write me. No ~~pay~~ Charge for addresses.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

January 6, 2.

Rev. W. H. Hubbard, D.D.,
35 Franklin Street,
Auburn, New York.

My dear Doctor Hubbard:

Your very kind letter of January 3rd is received and it will give me pleasure to be your guest during my stay in Auburn.

If I make connections at Syracuse I will reach Auburn at 1,25 P.M., if I miss the connections will reach Auburn at 4.48 P.m. on Saturday the 11th.

It will also give me pleasure to give a missionary address to your Church on Sabbath morning.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

January 6, 2.

Rev. John Dixon, D.D.,
Board of Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

Dear Doctor Dixon:

Your postal of the 4th instant is received. I expect to commence with Newcastle Presbytery on January 15th and continue with them until the morning of the 22nd. On the morning of the 12th I speak in Dr. Hubbard's Church Auburn, and in the ~~morning~~ Evening of the 15th at the Auburn Theological Seminary.

Yours very truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent, &c.

S. J. A. R. C.

January 6, 1902.

Governor John G. Brady,

Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Governor:

Yours of December 24th is received and contents noted. I feel very badly about your not being allowed to come to Washington to try to secure some very much needed legislation for Alaska.

I send you a copy of a letter which Captain Shoemaker addressed to Liuet. Cushing on the subject to which you refer . You will consider the letter a private one. At the same time there is no harm in your showing it to Revenue Cutter officials that you think are interested in that matter. What I mean by "private" is, not to throw it before the public.

Your Annual Report is not yet printed. The Printing Office is waiting for the illustrations.

With kind regards to your family, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

Enclosure

(COPY)

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Office of The Secretary

Division of
Revenue Cutter Service.

Washington, November 20, 1901.

Lieutenant W. H. Cushing, R.C.S.,
Commanding U.S.Steamer THETIS,
Port Townsend, Washington.

Dear Cushing:

Several reports have come here with reference to treatment accorded passengers on the THETIS this last summer. I do not mean written, official reports, but I have been told in letters and otherwise, these things. I will refer to one,---the case of Rev.Sheldon Jackson, and having heard that he was not treated in the way that his official position seemed to demand, or with the consideration due to a man of his years (68), character and long service, which he had a right to expect and which the Department intended should be accorded him. I took occasion to talk with Dr. Jackson recently, He told me that he did not wish to complain of anybody, but at my earnest request he put the matter in writing, and I enclose a copy of his letter and of one on the same subject from his secretary.

Now I presume you never knew Dr. Jackson personally,because if you had I cannot imagine that you could have paid so little attention to him as is indicated in his letter. He is one among the few men to whom the Department has accorded great consideration. He is an eminent man in his profession and whatever others may say, one of the most upright, honorable and valuable man in any branch of the public service. He has for years been employed upon Alaskan work for the Department of the Interior and has an established reputation for probity and integrity. I know it is quite the fashion to ridicule and traduce Dr. Jackson, but I do not believe this "fashion" is indulged by any decent man who knows him, and I am certain in saying that however scandalous the talk, and it is nothing but talk, he is in every regard a superior man. He has been a cabin passenger in the BEAR every year for many years, and I have yet to hear that he has ever, in any way, abused any privilege or in any manner made himself obnoxious. He was armed with an authoritative letter from the Department which should have secured for him the utmost consideration.

I am sorry that you did not welcome him to your ship, give him a seat at your table, and treat him like the gentleman he is. Surely you could, out of the abundant facilities at your disposal, have accorded him a comfortable berth in the cabin and made his stay what it should have been made, without the least inconvenience to yourself.

You may not be aware of the fact, but it is true that Dr. Jackson was very able and largely instrumental in getting through the appropriation for the THETIS, His standing among legislators here is of the highest.

So much for that case.

Now I do not understand why the apartment set apart for passengers, the ordinary run (of whom Dr. Jackson is not one), should have been in the condition depicted. There was money enough spent on it to make it not only comfortable but attractive, and why in that big ship that apartment should have been turned into a stow hole, is beyond me.

To one who has done his work as well as you have, it is ~~in~~ distasteful to the last degree to have to write in this strain, and I probably should not have said a word had not the matter been presented to me as it has been (at my request mind you, for it was not volunteered by Dr. Jackson but was given by him reluctantly), but I believe it due to you to know of the matter, and the authentic source from whence I derive my information. I do not ask for any explanation, because in the light of Dr. Jackson's letter none is needed, but I do desire to caution you not only as relates to him should he present himself next season, but in order that other officers of the Government authorized or unauthorized to take passage, may be treated as they should be by officers and gentlemen of the Cutter Service.

You will, I think, fully understand me, knowing as you do how highly I appreciate your efficient work while in command of the RUSH and THETIS.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) C. F. Shoemaker.

S. J.

A. R. C.

January 6, 1902.

Mr. E. Leslie Gilliams,
#5249 Germantown Avenue,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Sir:

I have been delayed all of this time trying to get you the photograph that you asked for; said photograph being received this morning. It gives me pleasure therefore to forward the reports under separate cover and the information which you ask.

Please drop me a line acknowledging the safe reception of the same.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J.   A. R. C.

January 6, 1902.

Mrs. F. H. Pierson,
Woman's Board of Home Missions,
#156 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

My dear Friend:

In accordance with your request at the conference in New York I send you a list of the salaries paid the teachers at Sitka. I notice that Mrs. Saxman is paid now at a rate of $720.°° a year. This will be reduced next year to $540.°° the same as the others. We have fixed on $540.°° rather than $500.°° because it makes an even $60.°° a month for the 9 months that they are employed.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclosure

Exhibit A.

Salary List. Alaska School Service, 1901-1902.

Teachers.	Location	Monthly Salary.	Yearly Salary.
Mrs. Clara Gwin ---------	Unalaska		
Miss Ann Mann -----------	Unalaska -------------	$ 70.00	$650.00
Frank A. Golder ---------	Unga -----------------	100.00	900.00
Charles E. Bunnell ------	Kodiak ---------------	80.00	720.00
Mrs. Charles E. Bunnell --	Kodiak ---------------	60.00	540.00
A. N. Evans -------------	Wood Island, Kodiak --	80.00	720.00
Mrs. C.W.Pajoman --------	Afognak, Kodiak ------	60.00	540.00
Miss Gertrude H.Spiers --	Sitka, No.1 ----------	80.00	720.00
Mrs.M.A.Saxman ----------	Sitka, No.2 ----------	80.00	720.00
Miss Kate Spiers --------	Douglas --------------	80.00	720.00
Victor L.Holt -----------	Douglas --------------	100.00	900.00
Miss May Mackentosh -----	Haines ---------------	60.00	540.00
Mrs. J.W.McFarland ------	Hoonah ---------------	60.00	540.00
Miss Nellie Green -------	Jackson --------------	80.00	720.00
Rev.Edward Marsden ------	Saxman, Ketchikan ----	60.00	540.00
Miss Bertha Hunt --------	Gravina, Ketchikan ---	60.00	540.00
Mrs.Anna R.Moon ---------	Kake, Ft.Wrangel -----	60.00	540.00
Miss Minnie Robertson ---	Fort Wrangel, No.1 --	70.00	630.00
W.G.Beattie -------------	Fort Wrangel, No.2 --	80.00	720.00
Mrs.Susie Bernardi ------	Cape Prince of Wales-	100.00	900.00
Luther M.Scraggs --------	Teller ---------------	120.00	1080.00
Mrs.E.H.Rock ------------	Carmel ---------------	80.00	720.00
Raphael Crimont ---------	Koseraffsky ----------	56.00	504.00
Mary Stephen ------------	Koseraffsky ----------	56.00	504.00
George J.Beck -----------	Sitka Industrial Sch.	75.00	900.00
Mrs. E.C.Heizer ---------	" " "	60.00	540.00
Miss Lizzie Kadashan ----	" " "	25.00	225.00
Miss Olga Hilton --------	" " "	42.00	504.00
Rev.J.Loomis Gould ------	Kasaan ---------------	100.00	600.00

S. J. A. R. C.

January 6, 1902.

The Library of the "PRess",
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

In response to yours of October 4th I forward you a photograph and information asked for. I apologize for not sending it earlier but I have just this morning been able to get from the photographer the photograph you wish.

Please acknowledge same receipt of same.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

January 8 1.

Mrs. Josephine Scroggs,

709 Fourth Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mrs. Scroggs:

Your letter of December 23 was duly received, and I have delayed answering it in order that I might try to find some way by which some of Mr. Scroggs' salary could be forwarded to you.

I regret that I have not been successful. The only request we have from Mr. Scroggs is that his salary until January, 1902, be paid to the Bank at Nome. Without a special request signed by Mr. Scroggs it is impossible for me to send any of his salary. Consequently the salary after January must be paid to him direct. I regret this very much, but do not see any way out of the difficulty.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent.

Jan 8th 902

Rev Frederick W. Palmer
Auburn
New York

Will address ~~Chur~~ Central Church
Sunday Evening
Sheldon Jackson

Official
Collect Govt rate.

S. J.

A. R. C.

January 8, 1902.

Hon. John K. Cowan,

Gen. Offices, B. & O. R. R.,

Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Mr. Cowan:

Please accept thanks for securing me a clergyman's half fare permit over the B. & O. for 1902.

With kind regards to Mrs. Cowan, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

January 8, 1902.

Mrs. E. C. Littlejohn,

#607 Fourth Street, N. W.

Washington, D. C.

Madam:

Yours of the 6th was received. I have engagements up to January 26th. Would prefer a week-day or Sunday address. I see no reason why I can not visit you somewhere previous to March 1st, as you request. I can not, however, fix a date at the present.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Write me after
Jan 26th 1902

S. J.

A. R. C.

January 8, 1902.

Mr. D. B. Martin,

Mgr. Passenger Traffic, B. & O. R.R.,

Baltimore, Maryland.

My dear Sir:

Please accept thanks for clergyman's permit N° 2931, which is just received.

I send you one of my Reindeer Reports which will possibly interest you, or, if you have some half grown boys, I know it will please them.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

January 8, 1902.

Rev. Frank Palmer,

Auburn, New York.

My dear Brother:

Yours of the 7th is received, and it will give me great pleasure to give a missionary address to your people on Sunday evening as you request. I shall be delighted to meet with Gen. William H. Seward. I met his brother recently at the Annual Banquet of the Union Alumni in New York City.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

January 9, 1902.

Callahan & Company, Publishers,

Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed find my check for $10.00 to pay for a copy of the Annotated Alaska Laws. The enclosed penalty return slip pasted on the package will bring the copy safely to me at Bureau of Education, Washington, D.C., without any further address or postage.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

2 Enclosures.

S. J.

A. RL C.

January 9, 1902.

Mrs. James McWhinnie,
Room 510 Tremont Temple,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Madam:

On September 23rd I had the pleasure of visiting the Mission Station of your society at Wood Island, Alaska. We arrived at Kodiak very early in the morning and after breakfast went over to Wood Island where I had several hours. Of course the first place that I visited was the Baptist Orphanage where I received a warm welcome from Mr. and Mrs. Coe, Mr. and Mrs. Forby, Mrs. Campbell of the mission and Mr. Evans the Government teacher.

Upon each visit to Wood Island I am imprressed with the great value of the work which your society is doing at that place. As the years pass by you will more and more see the fruits, and I think to all eternity will rejoice that you were permitted to take part in establishing the orphanage. If there are to be future Christian homes among the Aleuts of that region, or teachers of schools or prominent citizens they are either in training to-day or will come hereafter from its continuance.

In addition to inspecting the main building I, also, visited the Winch dormitory for boys adjoining the cottage occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Coe. Everything seemed to be in good order. The children seemed to be happy and contented, and I do not wonder, for the contrast between their present condition in the orphanage and their former condition as waifs must seem to them as the commencement of Heaven.

I greatly regret that the Educational Fund is so small that we have been unable to place in suitable repair the buildings which the Government has purchased for the use of the public school, consequently we are still necessarily dependent upon your society for a school room.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education

in Alaska.

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A. R. C.

S. J.

January 15, 1902.

Rev. Thomas M. Gunn, D. D.,
Mission Post Office,
Chelan Co., Washington.

My dear Brother:

I am very glad you have been appointed Synod's Historical correspondent. It will give me pleasure to send you an abridged account of the work in Alaska. How late a date can you give me for its preparation, or the latest date that it can be received by you and yet in time for your work.?

With kind regards to your wife, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

January 15, 1902.

Rev. Charles L. Thompson, D. D.,
Secretary of Home Missions,
#156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

My dear Dr. Thompson:

On the cars yesterday, thinking over the matter of a Secretary, it occurred to me to suggest that you look up the antecedents and qualifications of Miss Speer. She is a sister of Secretary Speer of the Board of Foreign Missions. She is, or has been for a number of years a very efficient officer in the Pennsylvania Synodical Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Now I do not know her personally. I do not know that she has any qualifications whatever for the secretaryship, but if she has the administrative ability of her brother she might be well worth enquiring about.

Then I would suggest that you will into the antecedents and efficiency of some of the women that have charge of the large city Presbyteries. For instance, I understand that the lady that is in charge of the Woman's Home Mission Rooms in Chicago is the widow of a former pastor at Evanston, and is a woman of more than usual executive ability. The same may be true of some of the workers around Philadelphia.

It, also, occurred to me that as the Pennsylvania women are one of the largest auxiliaries of the Woamn's Board, that possibly an officer in the central board from their Synod would be helpful.

Will we see you in Washington on the 22nd.?

Praying that those who have the direction of the matter of the Secretary may be divinely guided, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J.   A. R. C.

January 15, 1902.

Mr. Henry H. Riggs,
Theological Seminary,
Auburn, New York.

My dear Brother:

I reached home safely last evening and found my family in usual health.

On Monday evening after dinner one of the students handed me my coat and hat, but, yesterday, when it became daylight I found that he had exchanged hats for me with one of the students. However, it is just the right size, and I hope that my hat will fit the student just as well. He will find my initials punched in the band.

It will give me pleasure to send a package of reading matter for the seminary reading room.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J.

A. R. C.

January 23, 1902.

Dr. D. Stewart,
#400 Delaware Street,
New Castle, Delaware.

My dear Doctor:

As you suggested I found the catheter too small and now return it to you under separate enclosure. It, also, affords me pleasure to send your son Henry a Reindeer Report. Please accept thanks for your letter of the 18th which is safely received.

With kind regards to your family, I remain,

Yours truly,

Report sent

Sheldon Jackson
General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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S. J. A. R. C.

January 23, 1902.

Rev. William H. Logan,
#706 Van Buren Street,
Wilmington, Delaware.

Dear Borther:

Yours, of the 20th, is received, and I will arrange to spend Sabbath, February 2nd, in Wilmington. What is the reason that I can not get into the Central and West? The two that have been selected are apparently small churches. I wish you could get me an invitation to stop with Mr. and Mrs. Crosby as, perhaps, I could work through them to secure some money for the College in Utah.

With kind regards to your family, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J.

A. R. C.

January 24, 1902.

Mr. Marion Lawrance,
Toledo, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

Yours, of January 6th, is received. I do not know of any statistics on Sunday-school work in Alaska that is any fuller than Mr. Blodgett's chapter in the Commissioner's Report for 1896-97.

My impression is that in taking the last Census of the United States no attempt was made to secure Sabbath-school statistics. Nearly all the missions of the various denominations at work among the natives in Alaska, and, also, the churches of the whites have a Sabbath-school connected with them, but, thus far I have been unable to get satisfactory statistics concerning them.

Regretting that I cannot give you fuller information, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

I send out another Circular letter asking for statistics.

January 24, 1902.

Marion Lawrence,
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Yours, of January 15th, collecting statistics for the convention at Denver, June 26th, is received. I am gathering such statistics as I can, which I will forward you two months later.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
Alaska Division.

Washington, D. C. January 24, 1902.

Mrs. James McWhinnie,
510 Tremont Temple,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Madam:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath School Instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath School; also the number of classes.

If you can get me the statistics of any other schools of your denomination in Alaska, please send them also.

I enclose a penalty envelope for information returned.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent for Education in Alaska.

1 Enclosure.

Marie McCloud. '98.	Jesse Lee Home. Miss Mellor.
Fadya Shellikoff.	Mr. Bunnell,,Wood Island, Alaska.
Geo. Gelaktinoff.	" " " " "
Jno. Lolcheskinoff	" " " " "
Michael Chepedney	" "" " " "
Nikefer Shousheck	" " " " "
Peter Debrovolsky	" " " " "
Sashka Alexandroff	" " " " "
Anastasia Achwack	" " " " "
Katie Shepherd	" " " " "
Pariscovia Achachee	" " " " "
Orleana Sperbeck	" " " " "

S. J. A. R. C.

January 24, 1902.

Mrs. James McWhinnie,
#510 Tremont Temple,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. McWhinnie:

I enclose you a list of the children from Wood Island at Carlisle. Can you give me the names of those who have united with the Baptist Church, also, the names of the full orphans, and those that have a father or mother living, also, those that were picked up by Mr. Coe as waifs whom their friends had practically left to their own resources. I wish the information for Col. Pratt to guide him in his movements when the Greek Priest visits Carlisle.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Enclose Envelope.

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Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
ALASKA DIVISION.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24, 1902.

Miss Agnes Edmond,
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Madam:

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If you can get me the statistics of any other schools of your denomination in Alaska, please send them also.

I enclose a penalty envelope for information returned.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent for Education in Alaska.

1 Enclosure.

Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
ALASKA DIVISION.
Washington, D. C., Jan. 24, 1902.

Rev. Paul de Schweintz, D.D.,
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath School Instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the number of teachers and pupils in ~~your~~ the Sabbath Schools of the Moravian Missions in also the number of classes.

~~If you can get me the statistics of any other schools of your denomination in Alaska, please send them also.~~

I enclose a penalty envelope for information returned.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent for Education in Alaska.

1 Enclosure.

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Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
ALASKA DIVISION.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24, 1902.

Mr. Charles Replogle,
Douglas, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath School Instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath School; also the number of classes.

If you can get me the statistics of any other schools of your denomination in Alaska, please send them also.

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Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent for Education in Alaska.

1 Enclosure.

Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
ALASKA DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24, 1902.

Rev. Curtis P. Coe,
Wood Island, Kadiak, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath School Instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath School; also the number of classes.

If you can get me the statistics of any other schools of your denomination in Alaska, please send them also.

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General Agent for Education in Alaska.

1 Enclosure.

Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
ALASKA DIVISION.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24, 1902.

The Episcopal Minister,
Skagway, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath School Instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath School; also the number of classes.

If you can get me the statistics of any other schools of your denomination in Alaska, please send them also.

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Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
Alaska Division.

Washington, D. C. January 24, 1902.

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Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I remain

Very truly yours,

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General Agent for Education in Alaska.

1 Enclosure.

Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
Alaska Division.

Washington, D. C. January 24, 1902.

Rt. Rev. Peter T. Rowe, D.D.
Care Church Missions House,
Fourth Ave. and 22d Street, New York City.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath School Instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath School; also the number of classes.

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Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I remain

Very truly yours,

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General Agent for Education in Alaska.

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Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
Alaska Division.

Washington, D. C. January 24, 1902.

Rev. D. Nyvall,
North Park College, Station X,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath School Instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath School; also the number of classes.

If you can get me the statistics of any other schools of your denomination in Alaska, please send them also.

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Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent for Education in Alaska.

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S. J.

A. H. C.

January 24, 1902.

Mrs. S. L. Beiler, +98 W. Ferry St.
Buffalo, New York.

My dear Madam:

I send you a list of children from Unalaska and if you know which is which I wish you would designate such of them as have made a profession of their faith in Christ at the Jesse Lee Home, also, those that are full orphans, those that are half orphans - stating whether father or mother lives. Please write this direct to Col. Pratt so that he may have it before him when the Greek Priest comes.

Wishing yourself and family good health, I remain,

Very truly yours,

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

Annie Reinken.	'97.	Unalaska.	Miss	Mellor.
Dora Reinken.	"	" "	"	"
Eudocia Sedick	"	"	"	"
Polly Tutikoff	"	"	"	"
Catharine Dyaknoff.	'98	"	"	"
Helen Fraties	"	"	"	"
Irene Suvaroff.	"	"	"	"
Sosipatro Suvaroff	"	"	"	"
Vasha Nakootkin.	Sent by Missionary, Miss Sarah Rinch.			

Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
Alaska Division.

Washington, D. C. January 24, 1902.

Mrs. S. L. Beiler,
498 West Ferry Street,
Buffalo, New York.

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Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I remain

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent for Education in Alaska.

1 Enclosure.

January 24, 1902.

Presbyterian Missionary,
Haines, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath-school instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the total number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath-school; Number of teachers; Number of pupils. Do you have a meeting during the week for the study of the lesson? How many of the pupils have joined the church during the past year? Also, send me statistics o neighboring schools.

I enclose you penalty envelope for information.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

January 24, 1902.

Rev. N. B. Harrison,
Skagway, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath-school instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the total number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath-school; Number of teachers; Number of pupils. Do you have a meeting during the week for the study of the lesson? How many of the pupils have joined the church during the past year? Also, send me statistics of neighboring schools.

I enclose you penalty envelope for information.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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January 24, 1902.

Rev. David Waggoner,
Klawack, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath-school instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the total number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath-school; Number of te achers; Number of pupils. Do you have a meeting during the week for the study of the lesson? How many of the pupils have joined the church during the past year? Also, send me statistics of neighboring schools.

I enclose you penalty envelope for information.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

January 24, 1902.

Rev. J. H. Condit,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath-school instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the total number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath-school; Number of teachers; Number of pupils. Do you have a meeting during the week for the study of the lesson? How many of the pupils have joined the church during the past year? Also, send me statistics of neighboring schools.

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Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

January 24, 1902.

Rev. L. F. Jones,
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath-school instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the total number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath-school; Number of teachers; Number of pupils. Do you have a meeting during the week for the study of the lesson? How many of the pupils have joined the church during the past year? Also, send me statistics of neighboring schools.

I enclose you penalty envelope for information.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

January 24, 1902.

Rev. D. R. Montgomery,
Jackson, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath-school instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the total number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath-school; Number of teachers; Number of pupils. Do you have a meeting during the week for the study of the lesson? How many of the pupils have joined the church during the past year? Also, send me statistics of neighboring schools.

I enclose you penalty envelope for information.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

January 24, 1902.

Miss Cassia Patton,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Madam:

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January 24, 1902.

Rev. H. P. Corser,
Wrangel, Alaska.

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General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

How many Children from S.S. have united with Church during past year?

January 24, 1903.

Rev. William W. Carle,
Hoonah, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

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Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

How many scholars have united with Church during past year?

January 24, 1902.

Rev. W. S. Bannerman,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath-school instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the total number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath-school; Number of teachers; Number of pupils. Do you have a meeting during the week for study of the lesson? Also, send me statistics of neighboring schools.

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Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

How many Children from the S.S. have united with the Church during the past year?
Native S.S.?
White S.S.?

January 24, 1902.

Rev. James Kirk,
Eagle City, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am trying to secure the statistics of Sabbath-school instruction in Alaska. Kindly send me at your earliest convenience the total number of teachers and pupils in your Sabbath-school; Number of teachers; Number of pupils. Do you have a meeting during the week for study of the lesson? Also, send me statistics of neighboring schools.

I enclose you penalty envelope for information.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain,

How many S.S. Scholars have united with Church during last year?

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

January 24, 1902.

Miss M. E. Mellor,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Friend:

I send you a list of the children at Carlisle from Unalaska.

Can you tell me which of them, if any are supposed to have been converted in the Mission, aslo, such of them as are full orphans, and which have a father or mother living.

A Russian-Greek Priest expects to visit Carlisle and wants to give a Greek service for the children and the question is which of the children remain in the Greek church.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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Dora Reinken.	"	"	"
Eudocia Sedick	"	"	"
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Helen Praties	"	"	"
Irene Suvaroff.	"	"	"
Sosipatro Suvaroff	"	"	"
Vasha Makootkin.	Sent my Missionary, Miss Sarah Rinch.		

January 24, 1902.

Dr. A. W. Newhall, M. D.,
93 Washington St., Stoneham,
Mass.

My dear Doctor:

I send you a list of children from Unalaska at Carlisle. Kindly send me the names of those that you think met with a change of heart in your Mission, also, those who are full orphans, and those whose father or mother is living, and those that the Mission secured complete control of before they left Unalaska.

A Russian-Greek Priest is proposing to visit Carlisle and wants to get all those children under his direction. Kindly address a letter to Lieut.-Col. R. H. Pratt, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, giving the names and information I have requested.

I hope that you are enjoying your vacation and that both yourself and wife will be ready to go back to Unalaska next spring.

Very truly yours,

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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S. J.

A. R. C.

January 24, 1902.

Mrs. E. C. Littlejohn,
#607 Fourth Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Madam:

I have returned to Washington and will be here some days. Would you prefer a Sunday service or a weed-day service. When the missionaries can get one of the services for Sunday they usually have a much better audience; many people who would like to hear an address on Alaskaare so situated that they can not get out during the week.

If convenient some time when you are passing the Bureau of Education, Eight & "G", perhaps you had better drop in and see me, then perhaps we can arrange things better than by letter.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

S. J. A. R. C.

January 24, 1902.

Mr. William E. Johnson,

#35 "B" Street, N. W.,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Yours, of the 20th, is received. With regard to the maintenance or discontinuance of the Quarterly Temperance Lessons in the Sunday-schools at the coming International Convention which meets in Denver, June next; I am decidedly in favor of continuing them. I, however, will probably have no voice in the matter as I am unable to attend the convention, my official duties requiring my presence in Central and Northern Alaska at the date when these meetings are to be held.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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January 24, 1902.

Rev. Richard M. Hayes, D. D.,
Olympia, Washington.

Dear Sir:

I send you the two volumes for your married daughters, concerning which I spoke to you last spring. Please let me know of their safe arrival.

Hoping that you and your family are well, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

A. R. C.

S. J.

January 24, 1902.

Rev. Edward Marsden,

Ketchikan, Alaska.

My dear Edward:

Yours, of December 3rd, is received. With regard to the expenses of your trip to Kasaan, send an itemized bill to Mr. Olin, Treasurer of the Board, #156 Fifth Avenue, New York. If he declines it I will try to find somebody that will contribute it.

I am glad to hear that your steam-launch will be ready the latter part of December.

With kind regards to your wife, I remain,

Yours truly,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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January 24, 1902.

Rev. Edward Marsden,
Ketchikan, Alaska.

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Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I remain,

Yours truly,

Also Mettakatlah S.S.?

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.

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S. J. A. R. C.

January 24, 1902.

Miss Jennie Kjellmann,

Mount Horeb, Wisconsin.

My dear Young Friend:

Yours, of January 18th, is received, and I am very glad to get a letter from you so well expressed and written in your own hand.

Remember me very kindly to your parents.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

General Agent of Education
in Alaska.